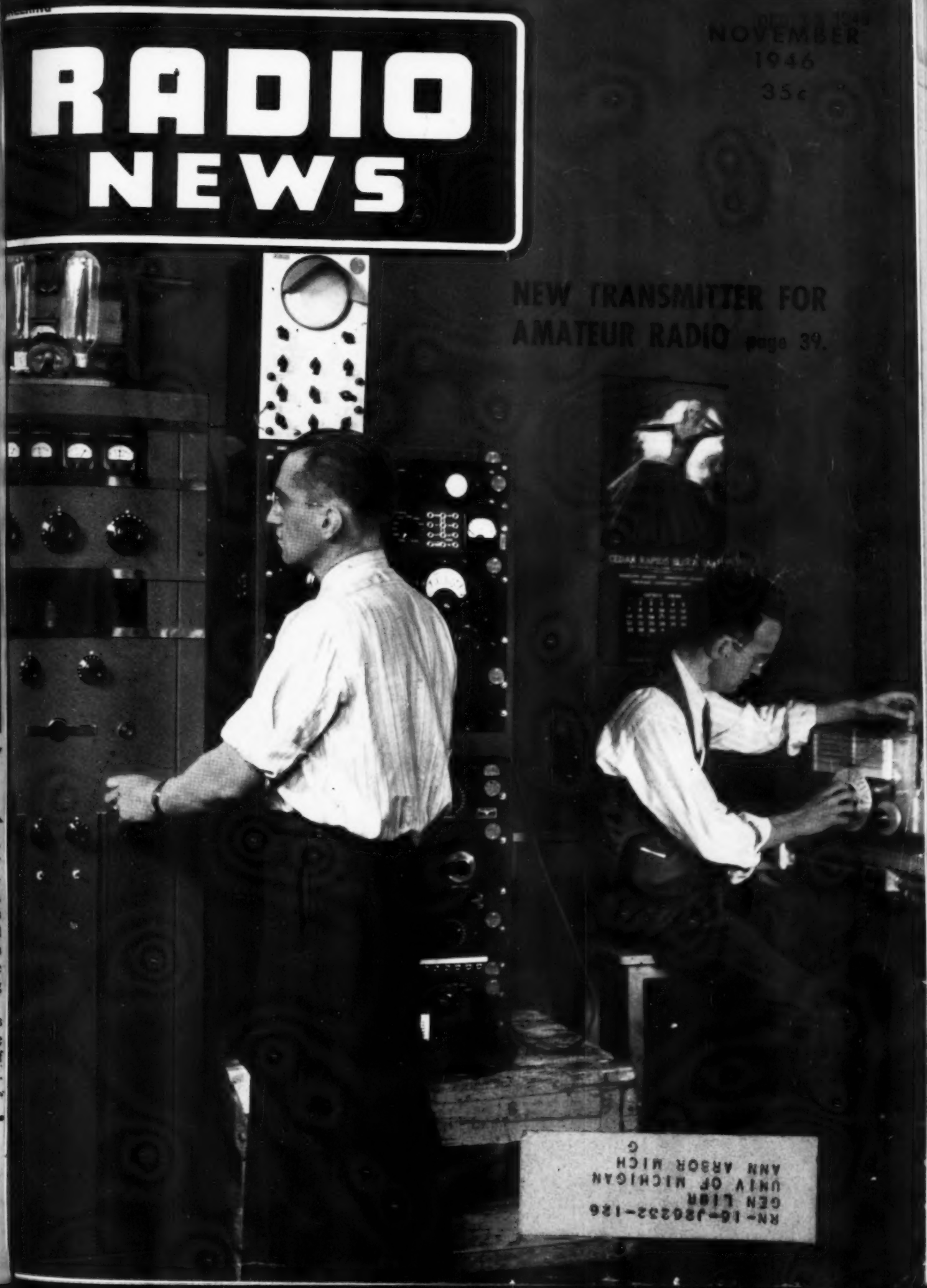
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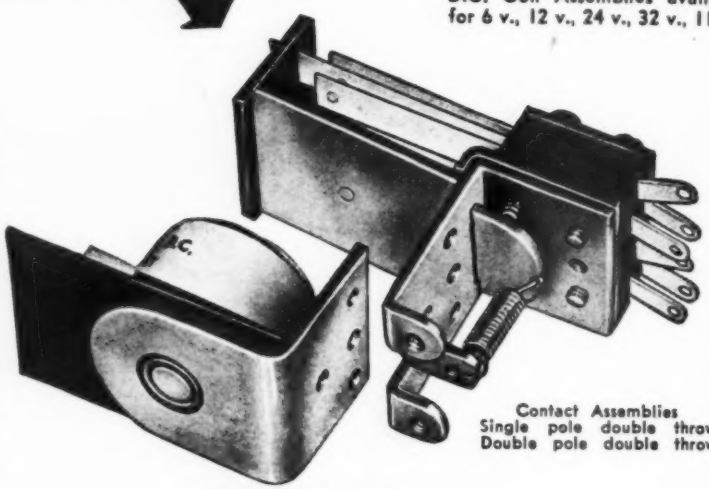
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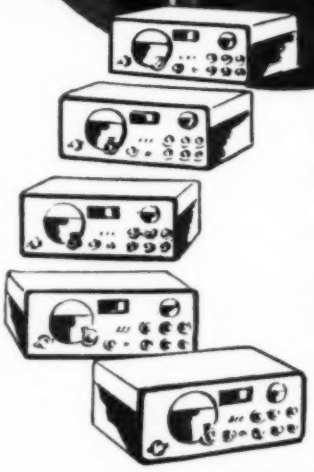
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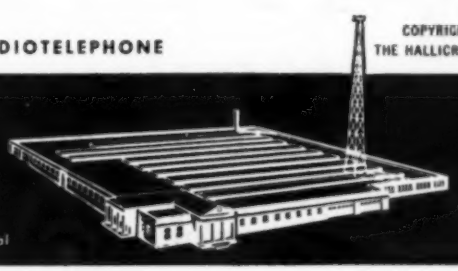




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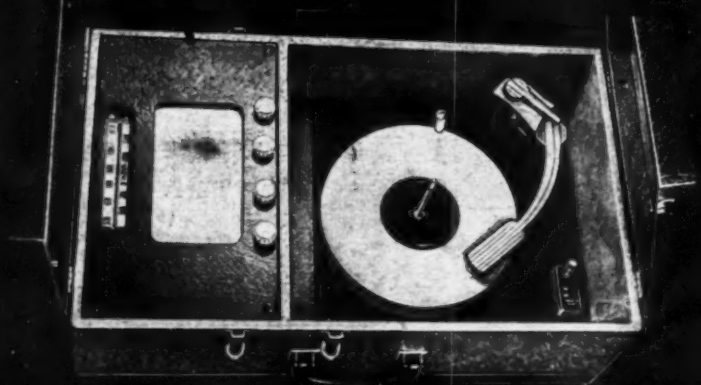
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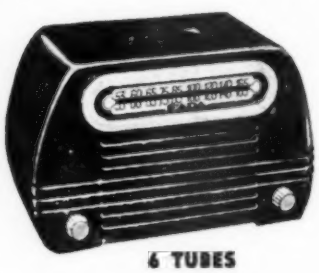
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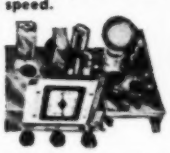
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Commercial television has been with us for several years now—black and white television. After struggling through the morass of technical difficulties for several years, television began to find firm ground by 1940 when several manufacturers were in production on video receivers which were being well received by the buying public.

War-born necessity practically froze television activities at the peak of their 1941 advance. However, the technical demands of a scientific war challenged the most fertile thinking of the best of Yankee and Allied electronic experts. Electronic mapping, radar scanning, and a host of radio applications contributed a new fund of knowledge and fact to television's backlog of experience. These advances will be reflected in the first of the postwar television sets which soon will be appearing on the market.

Those of us who have been privileged to see the postwar models which will soon be produced on a quantity basis, and sold at prices that the least affluent of us can afford, have been very much impressed with the excellent pictures we have seen. Pictures with the sparkling clarity of fine screen cuts on good coated stock paper, will be available in comparatively low-priced sets.

Technically, commercial black-and-white television has been proven successful in the area of the originating station's operations. The economically feasible way to relay these programs for rebroadcast throughout the country is yet to be fully developed and proven.

Into this picture now has been thrust television in color. We long ago learned not to fear new developments. We have also learned not to let the vision of something new for tomorrow rob us of the pleasures of what is available for us today. We welcome the advances being made in color television.

But, how close are we to having color television at prices that can be afforded by the common man? Let's "look at the record" and see how far color television has advanced as a practical means of entertainment.

Last December, members of the Press were invited to Princeton, N. J., to a preview of *RCA's* television advances. We were shown a series of black-and-white television receivers including representative models of the best of *RCA's* prewar receivers, the production models of their first post-war TV receivers and a research model of the *RCA* projection receivers which, it was hoped, would be in production by 1947.

The tremendous advances in the post-war TV receivers over the best prewar receivers was strikingly obvious. In passing, it should be mentioned that all of these receivers were reproducing a program then being telecast from the WNBT transmitter forty-odd miles away. The reception was excellent.

The second part of this preview was to witness the *RCA* developments in color television. The receiver was a laboratory model. The studio and transmitter were located two miles away. The operating frequency of the transmitter was way upstairs in the microwave spectrum — 10,000 megacycles. *RCA* made this test the hard way—they telecast a live show. Further, they threw the book on colors used in the program.

Most of us who witnessed this demonstration considered the *RCA* color images only slightly inferior to technicolor film productions. We also recognized that *RCA* had, in televising a live talent show, colorfully staged, endeavored to show the present limitations of this medium in the form of the ultimate requirements that will be demanded of it by those who will eventually buy home receivers for color television programs.

At the conclusion of the demonstration *RCA* officials said, in effect, "That's our story on color television, boys. We feel that it will not be ready for the public for about five years."

During the first week of February *CBS* invited the members of tne Press to a preview of the much-heralded *CBS* color television. Ushered into one of the *CBS* studios, the writers were shown three television receivers housed in very attractive, streamlined cabinets. Then there followed a demonstration of *CBS* color television.

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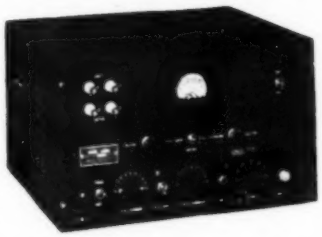
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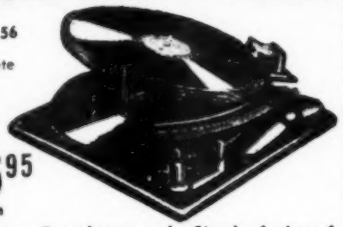
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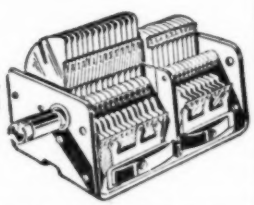


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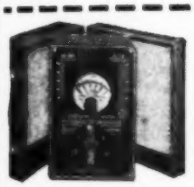
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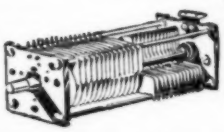


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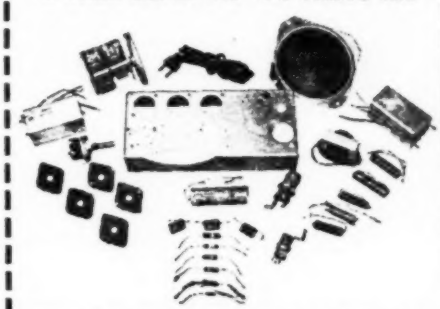
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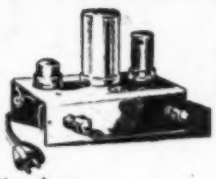
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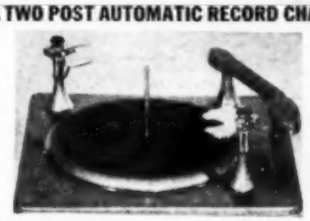
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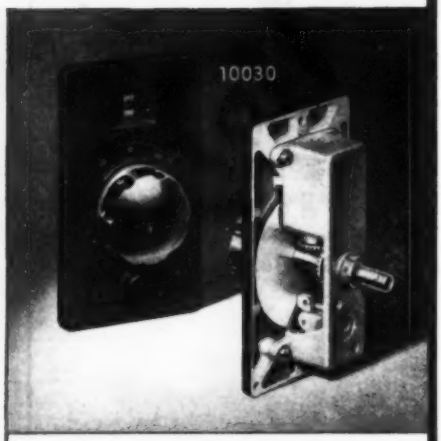
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HOTTEST POTATO on the fall Congressional investigation calendar may turn out to be work by the Slaughter committee on the disposal of Army electronics surpluses. The committee figured in the late-summer news when it investigated charges made in Atlanta, Ga., that some million dollars worth of electronics materiel had been sold for $600 as junk from the Warner Robins Air Materiel Area with approval of the War Assets Administration. In September, committee chairman Roger C. Slaughter and his colleagues investigated the charge that Thunderbird airport had been "given away" to a private citizen. They planned to return to radio equipment as soon as Thunderbird was disposed of and the talk in Washington is that electronics may keep the committee busy for the rest of the winter.

RADIO WAR SURPLUS having thus reached the headlines, WAA has begun to clean house and to turn for advice on the problem to experts in the industry. This was done effectively in the Slaughter investigation of the Atlanta case, when both hams and small radio dealers were called on to testify. What they said, in effect, was that the least expensive way for the government to get rid of the Atlanta surplus was to do exactly what was done—sell it as junk. To be sure, there were some salvage parts in the materiel that was junked. But to separate it from the useless equipment would have cost more than it was worth. The materiel which was sold as junk, it was brought out, had already been screened repeatedly for valuable parts. The Slaughter committee came back to Washington convinced that the disposal had been one of those inevitably wasteful but practical jobs that always are necessary at the end of a war. Committee members went further and stated that the public should be made aware that war-built electronics equipment was expensive, that commercial specifications make little of it valuable for peacetime use, and that salvaging usable parts is often too difficult to be worth-while.

WAR ASSETS, fountain-head of surplus disposal policies, following the first news stories on the Atlanta case, and even before the Slaughter committee swung into action, began to clean house. Administrator Robert M. Littlejohn ordered "drastic changes" in the administration of electronics disposal. Complete reorganization of the electronics division, which sells surplus radio and radar equipment, followed. Short-cuts were authorized in the handling of inventories, sales agents' agreements were revamped or, if too raw, completely abrogated, and the division was put under James A. Mollison, a deputy administrator who had already gained a reputation in WAA for cleaning up the once-dubious administration of aircraft disposal. George H. Moriarty, formerly in charge of aircraft component sales, was made Mollison's assistant in carrying out the work, and scores of field workers were fired. Both administrators announced that the new program called for "close coordination with industry, and frequent conferences with industry representatives." The industry, which had been watching the Federal disposal program in electronics with skepticism, willingly volunteered experts to help clean up the mess. Everything considered, the Slaughter committee may turn up a negative but heartening fact — electronics disposal is at last being put on a business-like, honest basis.

FIRST GOOD by-product of the investigation and WAA's housecleaning was the WAA announcement that "top priority" would be given veterans in purchasing surplus materiel. Veterans, however, were warned that, while there are huge stacks of unwanted surpluses, wanted items have proven far short of even the veteran demand.

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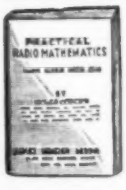
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there. As for the radio station, they want to be left out—nothing official to say. Dr. J. A. Hutcheson, associate director of the *Westinghouse Research Laboratories,* on the other hand, has plenty to say. In fact, he is already designing a 100-watt, 50 pound short-wave transmitter, battery-powered and capable of signalling from moon to earth. He wants to rig it so that it will broadcast only one minute every hour and to accompany it with other instruments that will broadcast signals telling what the lunar weather is. Just to round out the picture, we checked with FCC to see if Dr. Hutcheson or anybody else with a moon station would need a license. The answer is no—FCC has no jurisdiction over the moon to date. And for whatever it's worth, this may be added; we talked to a number of very serious gentlemen, in and out of uniform, in collecting this information—the kind of men who take things very seriously and never heard of Superman or Buck Rogers. Pop questions to them ten years ago about rocketing to the moon and broadcasting therefrom, and they would undoubtedly have laughed at you or called for a straitjacket. But nowadays it's different.

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HAMS LISTENING IN on this column are begged herewith to answer a couple of questions which came in the mail recently from our favorite correspondent, Mrs. Frances G. Mulchahey, of Westfield, New Jersey. Mrs. Mulchahey, an avid short-wave listener, reports that "in my eighty-two years on this heaving old world" she has been unable to discover the answers, and we admit we're stumped. Here they are: "When hams want to leave the air, why don't they go? One ham will say he is going to bed, then he talks for ten or more minutes on all things he forgot to say—then the other one does the same. They give calls, stations, and stand at the front door shaking hands until I want to give them a push out and shut the door." Number two: "Before the war, about 2 a.m. one night, a young chap was talking to an older man about his true love. The girl evidently tried to put over a severe reconstruction job and he rebelled. The boy said he liked to dance, he liked to drink once in a while, but he didn't like to spend all his time in church, as his girl demanded. I have often wondered what ever happened to that youngster." Any answers to either question will be transmitted to Mrs. Mulchahey.

OPA, AS INDICATED in last month's column, approved retail price increases averaging 3 per-cent on radios and electric phonographs toward the end of the summer. As was also indicated, further price increases are not imminent, and decontrol is still a thing of the dim future. In announcing the late-summer advances in retail prices, Price Administrator Paul A. Porter summed up OPA's attitude when he stated that the Administration's action to increase prices was "mandatory" under the Price Control Extension Act. "There appears to be some misapprehension in the minds of the public that these increases are being granted at OPA's discretion," he said. "This is not the case. The public should understand that these increases are necessary to comply with the law." It follows that OPA policy will accentuate holding ceilings where they now are. Says Porter: "OPA will follow the standards laid down by Congress in such a manner as to afford the maximum protection to the buying public that is possible. We anticipate that this is the last adjustment that will be necesary because of the new law. Where we are obligated to carry out other provisions of the statute, we will hold increases to the minimum." He adds that prices resulting from the increases "are still considerably below what prices would be if they were permitted to rise to the full extent of today's heavy demand and limited supplies." In sum, OPA will oppose further price rises in the radio field.

CHALLENGING THE OPA attitude against decontrol in the foreseeable future is the production score being marked up by the radio industry, a record which another government agency—the Civilian Production Administration—has hailed as indicating the arrival of a near-peacetime economy. "The stop-and-go output of materials and parts which has been obstructing volume manufacturing," said John D. Small, CPA administrator, recently, "has now been replaced by continuous, high-level production. That means that industry is within sight of full production of finished goods if industrial peace continues." Radio production bears out his statement, the monthly totals still being

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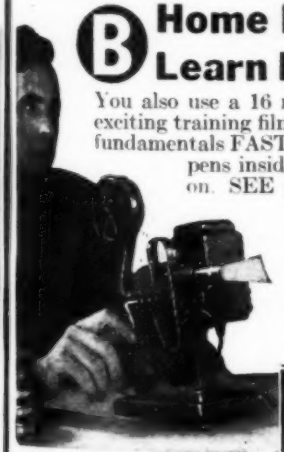
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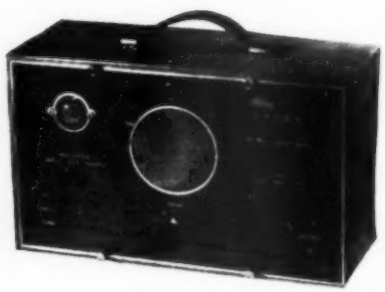
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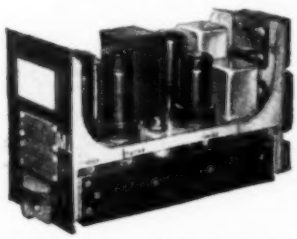
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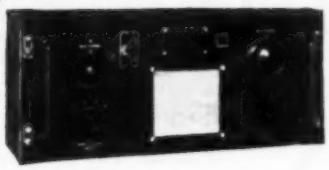
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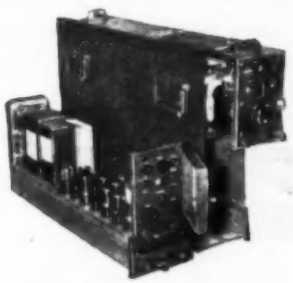
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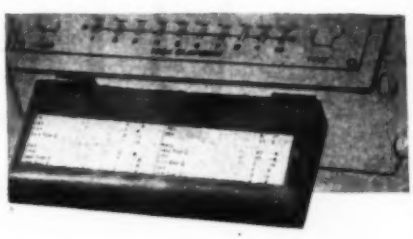
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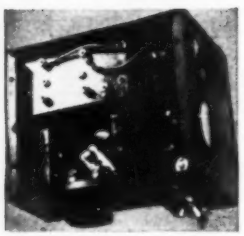
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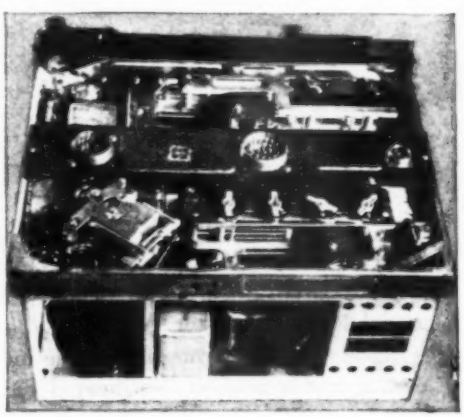
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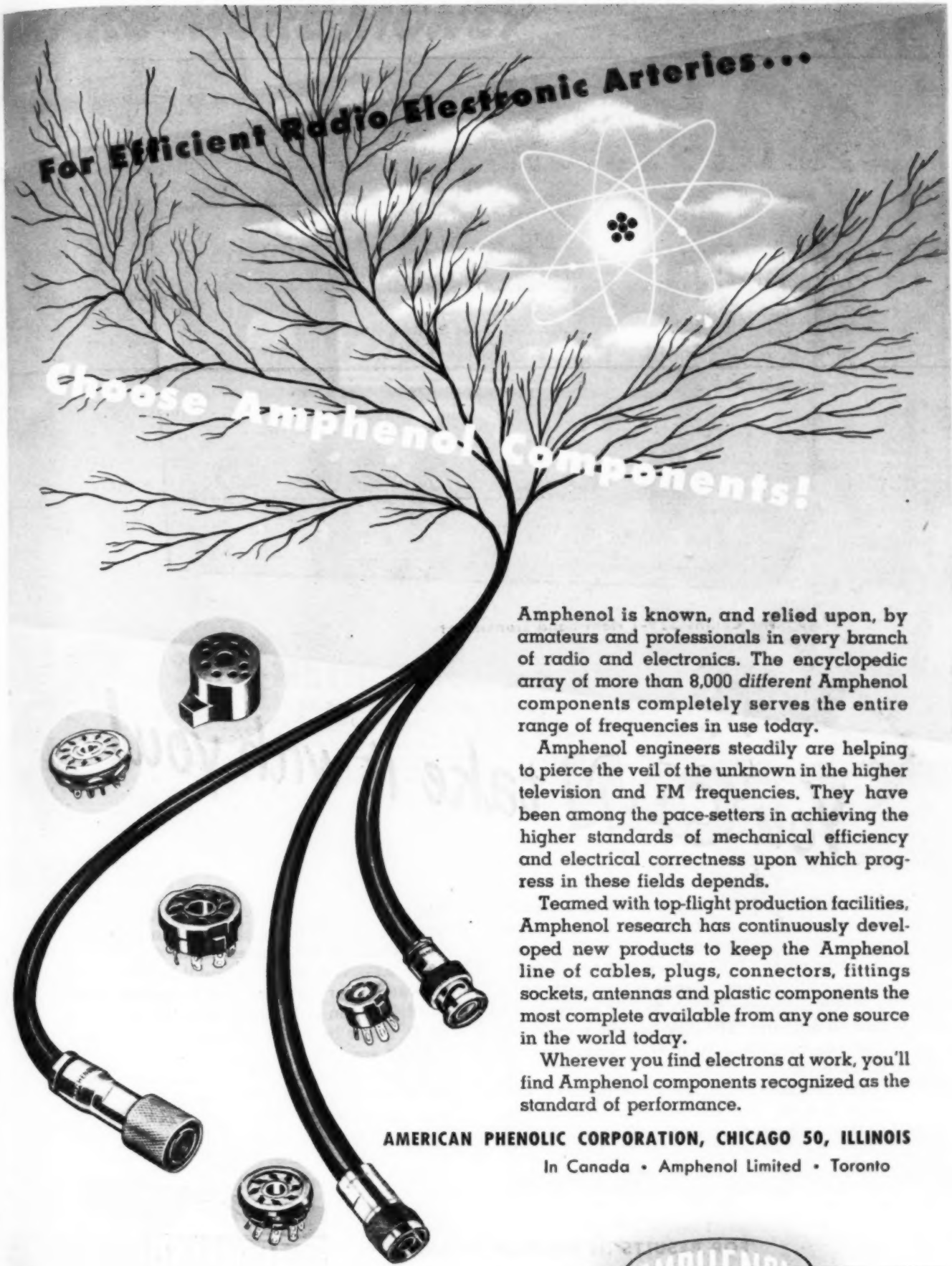
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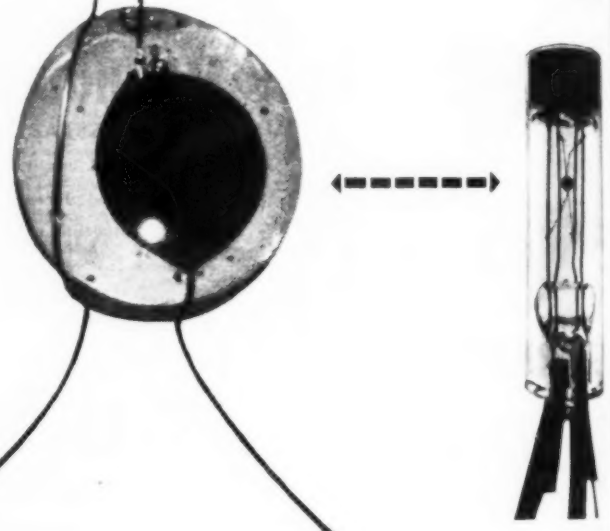
The Eye That Never Closes

You are looking at a thermistor — a speck of metallic oxide imbedded in a glass bead hardly larger than a pinhead and mounted in a vacuum. The thermistor was developed by Bell Telephone Laboratories to keep an eye on the amplification in long-distance telephone circuits.

When a thermistor is heated, its resistance to electric current changes rapidly. That is its secret. Connected in the output of repeater amplifiers, it heats up as power increases, cools as power decreases. This change in temperature alters the resistance, in turn alters the amplification, and so maintains the desired power level. Current through the wire at the left provides a little heat to compensate for local temperature changes.

Wartime need brought a new use for this device which can detect temperature changes of one-millionth of a degree. Bell Laboratories scientists produced a thermistor which could "see" the warmth of a man's body a quarter of a mile away.

Thermistors are made by Western Electric Company, manufacturing branch of the Bell System. Fundamental work on this tiny device still continues as part of the Laboratories program to keep giving America the finest telephone service in the world.



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Fig. 1. Beechcraft model D185 all-metal, twin-engine 6 to 10 place monoplane.

Planning an *Aircraft* RADIO INSTALLATION

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The owner's desires, facilities available, and the type of plane are factors which must be carefully considered.

THIS discussion is planned to bring to the reader's attention the practical points to be considered in the planning of an aircraft radio installation. With large fleets of identical aircraft, such as in airline operations, it is possible to arrive at a set of highly useful and accurate data. When the variety of aircraft types encountered increases, the most practical results are obtained through the application of good sense and ingenuity, coupled with past experience and acquaintanceship with the equipment being considered for the installation. This is particularly true of the antenna types and placement.

The problems involved in planning an installation of radio gear in the small, two or three place "family" type aircraft requires considerable care and thought. The entire problem is not nearly so complex as with the larger aircraft that are being put into use for private transportation by many large organizations. This latter group will be dealt with because the former class will then be covered automatically. *The first phase of the planning resolves into what choice of facilities is required or desired by the owner;* and these specifications must then be met as completely as is practical, considering the aircraft in question, etc.

The aircraft used as "executive" transports are comparable to the commercial airline craft in speed and their ability to fly under very adverse weather conditions. Due to the nature of the flight operations these aircraft must be equipped with a radio "system" which will allow full use to be made of the government and private navigational and safety facilities. The high degree of reliability achieved in commercial airlines operations is very dependent upon these same aids. Without a complete coverage of the available aids much of the usefulness of the aircraft is sacrificed. The "executive" transport must be capable of going anywhere, and at any time that commercial airlines are operating.

Radio Facilities Available

Navigational and safety aids operating within the frequency range of 200 to 400 kilocycles include several types. Airways range stations are the best known of these. Each range station consists of an antenna system keyed by "A" (di-dah) and "N" (dah-dit). In the "quadrants" either an "A" or "N" is received while along a range leg or "beam" the field strengths of the antenna towers approach equality. With equal signals the "A" and "N" keying blends into a steady audio signal. At regular, short intervals an identification code is transmitted. Airways charts show the placement of each range station and the direction of the range legs from that station.

At designated times during each hour weather broadcasts are made from these stations. They may also be contacted for weather and traffic information. Emergency services are handled, too, but not messages of a personal nature. Much has been written covering this highly important network so that no more need be said here concerning it. In addition to the range stations non-directional homing stations are located at strategic points to provide aural-null direction finding (DF), or automatic direction finder (ADF) fixes. These are of particular use for traffic "holding" points adjacent to large airports. Airways and airport control towers also operate in this frequency range, 200 to 400 kilocycles.

Very-high frequency (v.h.f.) facilities are being installed to serve the same purposes as just mentioned. To date only a small portion of the airways have been converted for v.h.f. navigational usage. However, the CAA (Civil Aeronautics Authority) towers are equipped and are standing by for communications on v.h.f. By July, 1946 all CAA towers and at least 100 range stations were ready with v.h.f. for communications. Navigational facilities will require some time for completion, however. The low frequency radio ranges are still entirely intact, and will remain in service for an indeterminate period. Of course new radio gear must also be developed to make full use of the potentialities which v.h.f. offers. The frequency range of 108 to 132 megacycles has been assigned for this service. Immediately available for use by the itinerant or private pilot are 131.9 megacycles for air-to-ground airport control tower contacts and 131.7 megacycles for air-to-ground airways communications station contacts. For the time being ground-to-air transmissions remain in the 200 to 400 kilocycle band.

These v.h.f. itinerant flyer's frequencies were assigned on a temporary basis, but final permanent allocations

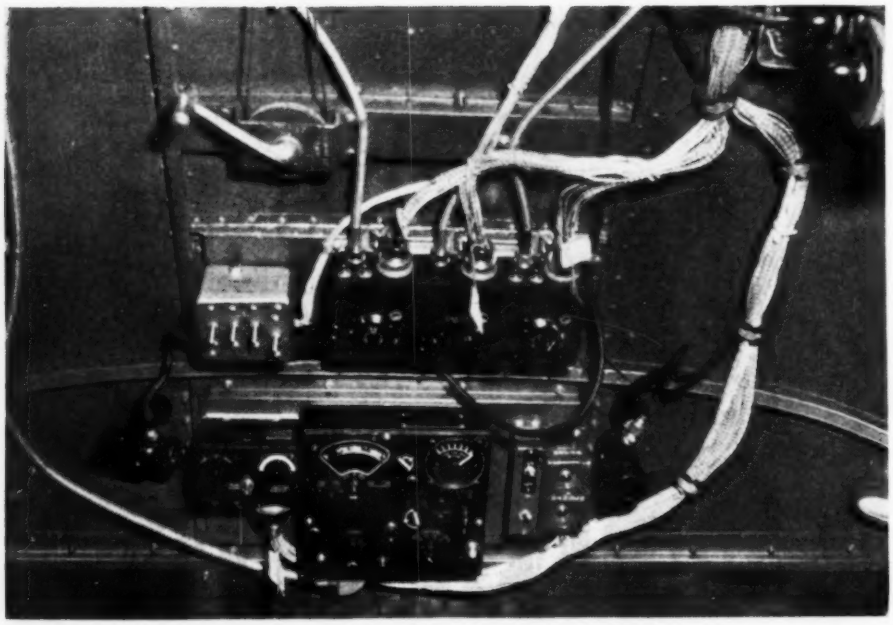


Fig. 2. Beechcraft C-45 cockpit with military type radio controls installed.

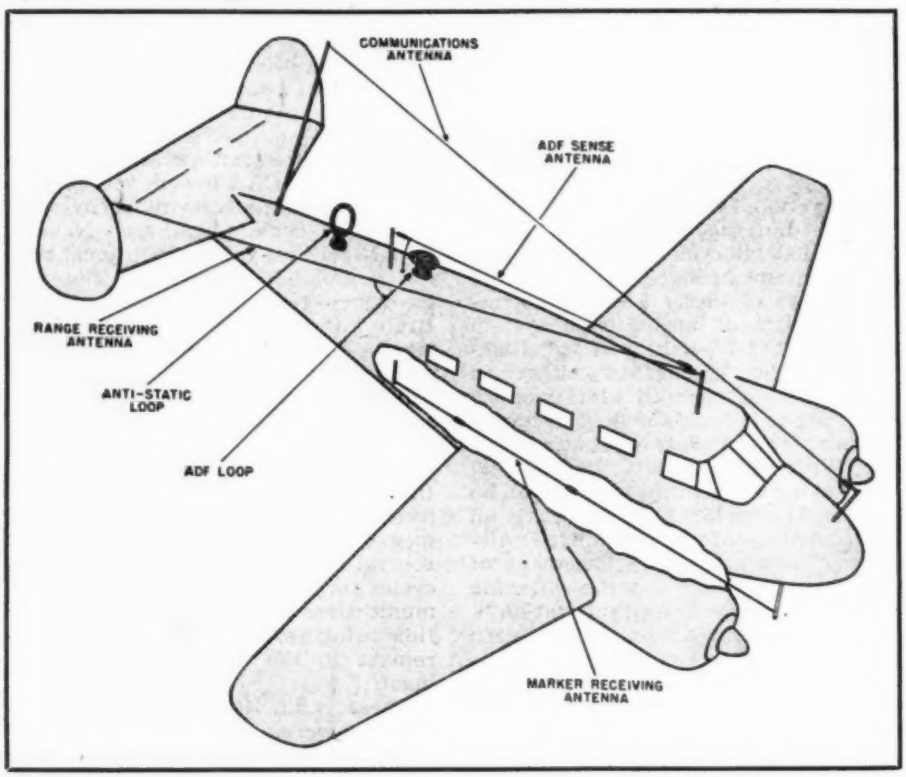
have been recently announced by the FCC. The permanent assignment for airport control towers is 122.5 mc. and for airways communications stations, 122.1 mc. The CAA has announced that as of January 1, 1947 its facilities will be guarding these new frequencies, but until that date guard will be maintained on 131.9 and 131.7 mc. Aircraft radio station licenses in force on v.h.f. at the time of changeover will be automatically carried over to the permanent frequencies without reapplication by the license holder.

Of great importance to navigation and safety is the system of "marker beacons" operating on 75 megacycles. Several functions are served by these marker beacons. The "Z" marker located at the range station site has a field strength pattern vertical and conical so as to give a positive indication of range station location. (This is opposite to the "cone of silence" which is a negative indication in that the range receiver signal momentarily reduces over the range station. This phenomenon is due to signal cancellation between the radio range station antenna field patterns.) "Fan" markers located at distances varying between approximately 10 and 30 miles from range stations adjacent to major airports and along the range legs provide the pilot with absolute "fixes" especially useful in instrument approach problems. The "Airways" or "Fan" and the "Z" markers are modulated by 3000 cycle audio and by means of audio filters, etc., employed in the marker receiver a white "Airways" indicator light is made to light up giving a visual indication in addition to the audio signal. A marker receiver is indispensable to instrument flight operations. In like manner "Outer" and "Inner" markers are located on the instrument approach path to an airport. The "Outer" marker is distinguished by a 400 cycle audio note and a blue indicator light; the "Inner" marker by a 1300 cycle audio tone and an amber light.

3105 kilocycles and 6210 kilocycles are the itinerant flyer frequencies in addition to the recently allocated v.h.f. channels. The commercial airlines operate on frequencies between 2.8 and 12.5 megacycles.

Little use has been made of the "ship-to-shore" radio network linking shipboard telephones with landlines, but it is expected that advantage will be taken of the personal type of service offered since no personal messages can be handled by the facilities so far mentioned. Most of these stations operate in the 2.0 to 2.5 megacycle range.

Fig. 3. Antenna arrangement on typical executive and light transport type aircraft.



A Proposed Minimum Radio System

The preceding outline of services has been made to show the need for each of the pieces of gear recommended as a complete, minimum radio "system" to be carried aboard the "executive" class of aircraft. Additional v.h.f. instrument approach gear might be considered in the large aircraft in the DC-3 class; however, such equipment is far beyond practical consideration for the medium sized 6 to 8 place aircraft. The following units comprise a minimum for "night instrument" operations:

1. An ADF (automatic direction finder) covering a frequency range of at least 200 to 400 kilocycles. (550 to 1200 kilocycles in addition is desirable). ADF bearings on frequencies higher than approximately 1200 kilocycles are questionable although "homing" is usually satisfactory.

2. A second receiver having a frequency range of at least 200 to 400 kilocycles for tower and airways contacts while the ADF is used for navigation, and for range flying. The use of a fixed or rotatable antistatic loop antenna, too, is highly recommended for use with this receiver. Aural-null bearings may be taken with such a loop antenna.

3. A 75 megacycle marker receiver having audio as well as visual indication. At least a single indicator light which responds to all of the marker

beacons ("Airways," "Inner" and "Outer" markers) without giving spurious indications (as when passing over power lines, or showing a light when the transmitter aboard the aircraft is operated), must be part of this piece of gear.

4. A transmitter operating on 3105 and 6210 kilocycles having a reliable range equal to 20 minutes flight at cruising speed of the aircraft. Antenna efficiency rather than transmitter power is a limiting factor in fulfilling this requirement.

5. A control, or set of controls and associated parts which tie the above four equipments together in such a way as to allow complete selection of the desired functions from at least the pilot and co-pilot positions. Selection without interference between either station must be attained. These controls must be easily accessible and easily seen from either position.

Depending upon the past experiences of the pilots who are in charge of the aircraft, the radio system may be either increased or decreased and otherwise modified according to the type of operations these men expect to carry on. Obviously it would be foolish not to equip an aircraft of unlimited operating ability with a complete set of radio gear—and the opposite also holds true.

Very-high frequency is rapidly being put into use and a complete system will require the addition of a low power v.h.f. transmitter having five channels. Two of these can be used immediately, 131.9 megacycles for air-to-ground control tower contacts, and 131.7 megacycles for air-to-ground airways communications station contacts. The three additional channels will be designated for congested areas as soon as traffic warrants it. An output power of less than one watt will give complete reliability at 40 to 50 miles at altitudes of 1500 to 2000 feet. Range naturally increases with increase in altitude over the terrain. Ground-to-air contacts will remain in the 200 to 400 kilocycle band and present equipment is far from being obsoleted since a gradual transition period of at least five to eight years is contemplated.

Modification of Military Equipment

Most of the aircraft purchased from the military have a radio system installed in them which is unsatisfactory from several standpoints. The failings can be overcome in some degree by modification and rework, however it is almost impossible to obtain a completely satisfactory radio setup. Compromises of more or less consequences must be made in every case. The transmitters require modification to provide crystal control. But then the power is often low and modulation is seldom a full 100%. Coverage is usually far below that required by high speed aircraft. The receivers themselves are very good and have adequate frequency coverage. The ADF's are fully satisfactory.

Perhaps one of the greatest difficulties of the military radio system aside from the transmitter is the inflexibility of the switching of the audio circuits and the range-voice filters. Paralleling of the pilot and co-pilot audio outputs cannot be prevented when each receiver has only a single audio output channel. This is the case with each of the military radio receivers, and transmitter sidetone and interphone. In addition, the control boxes and switches are in several separate units that are placed throughout the cockpit. A clean appearance and fully satisfactory cockpit arrangement is practically out of the question. This is not disparaging to the modifications that have been made since it is simply a fact that the "tools" available do not lend themselves to the job as well when they have been designed to do many things, as when they are designed to do a particular job.

Illustrated in Fig. 5 is a C-45 *Beechcraft* which was modified to overcome as far as possible the failings just pointed out. The new rectangular control box takes the place of the triple control formerly used for three military type receivers. Within this new control box are the following controls:

1. Individual range-voice filter switches, located at each end of the box.

2. "On-Off," channel selector and "Transmit-Interphone" switches, and indicator lights for a ten channel, crystal controlled, communications unit,

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Fig. 4. Radio gear mounted in the nose of a Lockheed Lodestar.

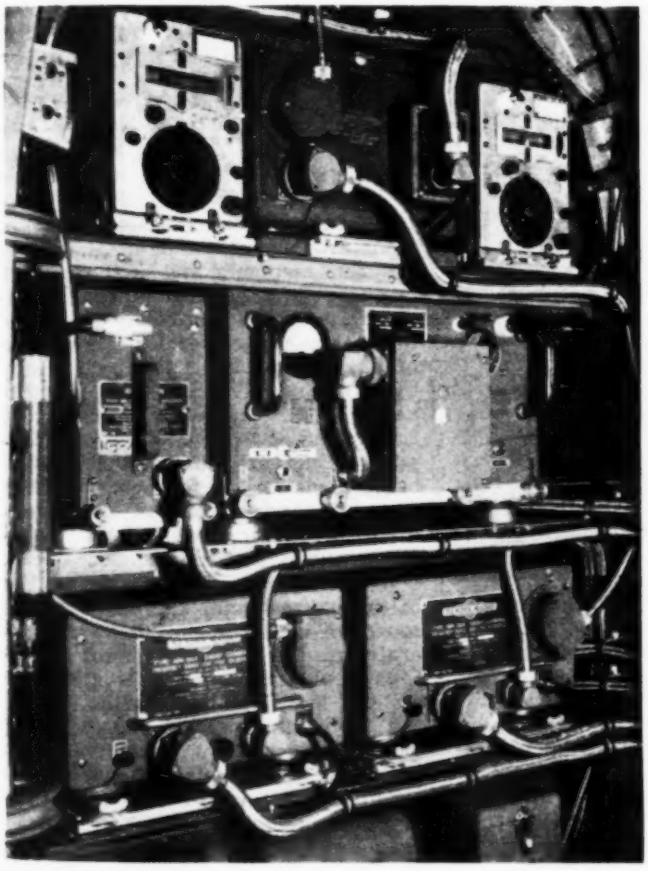
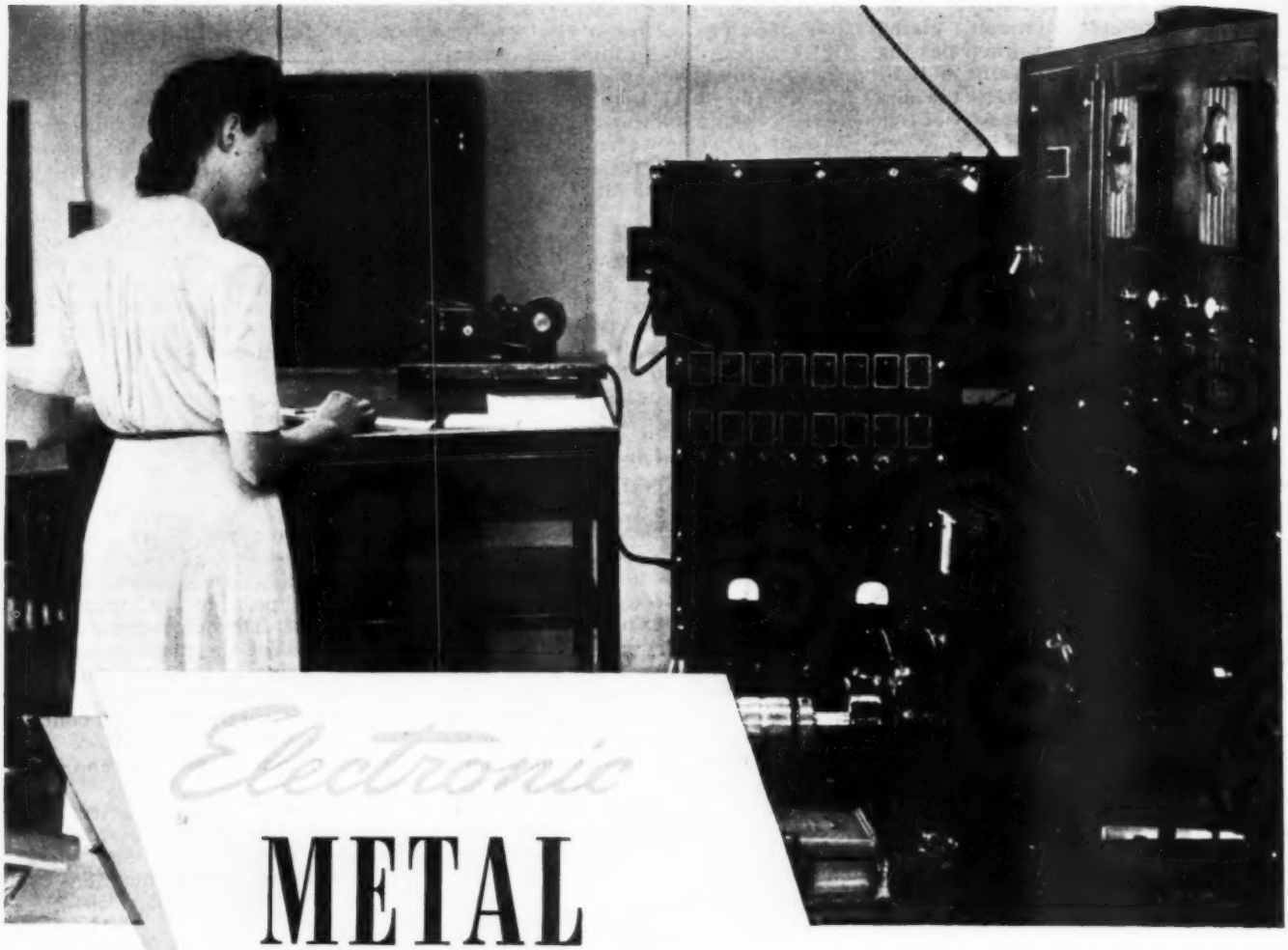


Fig. 5. Bendix MS-106 control panel in modified Beechcraft C-45.





Operator notes results of final test made by using spectrometer to analyze alloys.

Electronic METAL ANALYZER

By
S. R. WINTERS

Newly developed direct-reading spectrometer makes possible analysis of a maximum of 14 different elements found in industrial alloys.

CONVERTING rays of light into electricity, by using an electric spark generated on a strip of metal, a new electronic apparatus critically examines steel or other metal and defines the precise percentage of each element present—a process requiring only 40 seconds. This novel spectrometer, or electronic meter, was designed by *The Dow Chemical Company* of Midland, Michigan and inasmuch as it is a direct-reading device it may render obsolete the conventional spectrograph.

Originally chemical methods were employed in metal industries to determine the exact amounts of each of several elements in an alloy; then the spectrograph displaced the chemist's test tube as a means of analysis. The latter method proved more accurate and a greater time saver than chemical analysis. But somewhat analogous to the flippant expression of going around your elbow to get to your thumb, spectrographic analysis involved a roundabout process of photographing the spectral lines on a film, developing and calibrating it, and after placing it in a microphotometer, the percentage of each element then had to be calculated. These successive steps of operation were time-consuming—the complete process requiring from 15 to 30 minutes.

The new direct-reading spectrometer is a hybrid product of a combination of recent developments in electronics and the optical science, resulting in an electronic measuring instrument which automatically records the precise concentration of each of several metals in the form of a chart. It is capable of measuring the presence of at least 14 different elements, and the device may be so constructed as to enlarge its capacity to include an analysis of even more elements. The spectrometer, the only one of its kind, was built jointly by J. L. Saunderson, V. J. Caldecourt and E. W. Peterson of the Spectroscopy Laboratory of *The Dow Chemical Company*. Currently, determinations are being made for the following elements in the magnesium alloys: aluminum, manganese, zinc, beryllium, iron, calcium, silicon, and copper.

In the new spectrometer, as well as in the conventional spectrograph, the source of light is an arc or spark generated on the sample of metal subject to critical examination. This rainbow of light is broken up into the lines of the spectrum by use of a prism or grating. Instead of taking a photograph of the spectrum, this direct-reading spectrometer provides a slit for each element, through which the lines for that particular element are

given passage. A special photoelectric tube is situated behind each slit, an arrangement which permits of converting light into electricity and then amplifying it approximately 200,000 times. Then, this electronic energy is stored in condensers, which is the first step in the process, requiring only 20 seconds. At this juncture, the arc is stopped automatically, a paper roll begins to move, and the electric condensers are discharged slowly. Electronic amplifiers, designed especially for this purpose, determine the time element in the discharge of each condenser. The usual design of amplifier would require standardization for each sample of metal examined, but this unusual amplifier is adjusted, only once a week, by use of a "magic eye." The length of the lines for each element in the metal corresponds to the time of discharge for each condenser. Calibrated scales convert these length of lines into percentages of metal or alloy composition.

Scientists of *The Dow Chemical Company* outline the following steps in this method of analyzing metals and alloys; (a) generating a source of radiation with the unknown material as electrodes; (b) passing a beam of this radiation into a multiple-exit-slit spectrometer, which is equipped with energy collecting and amplifying instruments; (c) measuring the relative energy contained in each of several predetermined spectrum lines; (d) comparing this measured energy with the energy similarly received from standard samples; (e) and thereby determining the composition of the unknown sample.

The arc or spark between two electrodes, as the source of light, carries a current of a few amperes, at electromotive forces varying from 2000 to 27,000 volts. The slit through which this beam of light passes does not differ materially from a slit in any scientifically-built spectrograph. The slit must be sufficiently narrow to allow the beam to resolve itself logically into its various wavelengths without overlapping. Too, the slit must be long enough to admit of an appropriate quantity of energy. Ordinarily, the length and width of the slit should be comparable to the dimensions of the usual monochromator.

The beam of radiation is split into its integral wavelengths by use of a prism or, preferably, a grating. A plane grating of either the reflection or transmission design may be employed, although transmission gratings are practically obsolete. The prism or grating is in a fixed position in comparison with the rotating mounting, ordinarily employed in a monochromator. A concave reflecting diffraction grating has been found quite satisfactory. With the beam of light resolving itself into its different wavelengths, certain spectral lines may be selected, such as those which will be measured in arriving at the desired analysis. Optimum lines, for example, for each of the specific components may be selected with respect to the orthodox principles of spectroscopy. In some instances, however, it will be well advised to employ the electronic energy from more than one line for a particular component. In such case, the energy will be assembled by optical methods into a single collecting and measuring unit.

The particularly novel aspect of this direct-reading electronic "analyzer" is the process of assembling and determining the energy contained in the spectrum lines for each of the components being assessed. More specifically, the energy from one or more lines of each element subject to analysis is collected in an electron multiplier photoelectric tube, of the *RCA* type No. 931A, sensitive to light radiation down the spectrum to about 3400 Angstroms. This design of electronic tube may be obtained, if a special order is authorized, with a particular glass envelope, capable of transmitting light radiation down to 2400 Angstroms. Nine stages of amplification are present within the tube itself; therefore, the output of current is enlarged to 230,000 times that of the input energy. Moreover, the electronic output is of sufficient magnitude to be used for some purposes without additional amplification.

Various methods are available for determining the energy from each of the photoelectric tubes (one for each element), as the means of finding out the composition of the unknown source. This current could be measured with a galvanometer, which would indicate the amount of current flowing and, thus, the quantity of energy present in a certain spectrum line. The galvanometer scale could be calibrated to afford a direct reading but, as is customary in spectroscopic work, it would be an instantaneous reading and thus would vary appreciably from one moment to another. Therefore, we are advised that dependable results would only be obtainable by integrating such a galvanometer reading over a specified period, a sufficient time to "iron out" all these instantaneous variations.

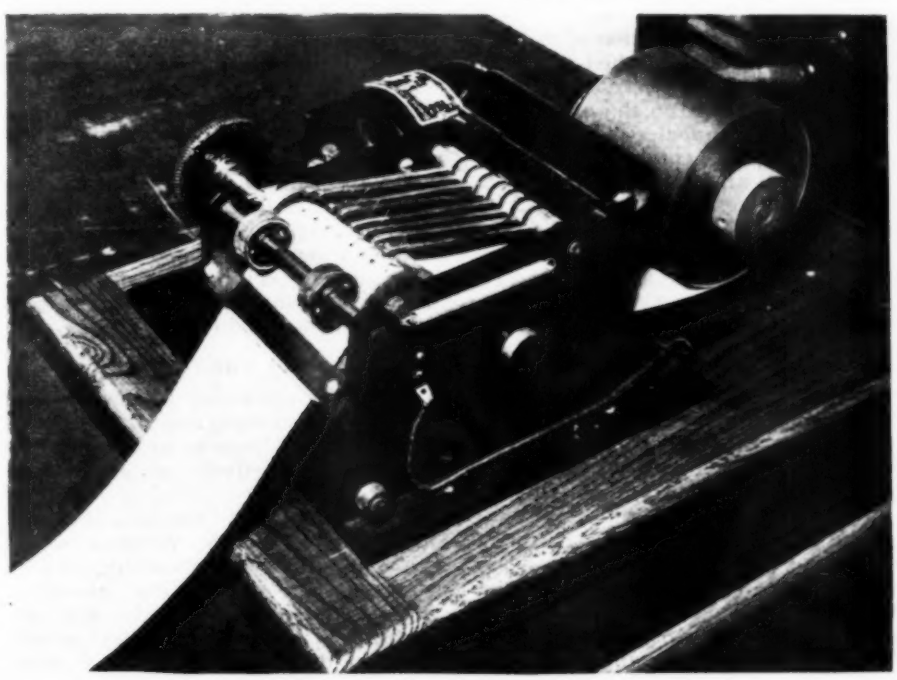
The process for assembling and measuring the energy over a fixed period involves charging a condenser from the photoelectric tube during a definite time of exposure. The energy stored in such a condenser is the total energy received during an exposure, which is of sufficient duration to average out any slight instantaneous variations of relative intensity. A determination of the energy so "packed" into the condenser may be employed to indicate the metal composition sought.

This volume of current is determined by discharging the condenser through a fixed resistance unit of such character that the condenser will be deprived of the electric current over a measurable period, say, from 5 to 60 seconds. To vouchsafe such accuracy, the condensers must be capable of almost complete discharge. These condensers should be able to discharge nearly 100 per-cent of their stored energy in order to approximate conformity with the so-called "expotential decay law." Because, if this law is not heeded, intensity fluctuations and slight variations in time of exposure do not strictly cancel in the determination of relative intensities.

"By measuring the original charge put in a condenser which collects the energy representing a given unknown constituent of an alloy and comparing it with the charge put in a reference condenser by the spectrum line or lines used for internal control, the amount of the unknown constituent can be determined," points out *The Dow*

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Close-up view of the recording device used in The Dow Chemical Company equipment.



SOUND CONDITIONING *Spurs Sales*

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Fig. 1. Modern sound conditioning makes this radio store an inviting place to shop.

Harsh, irritating noises in your sales rooms can lose sales for you. This article tells you easy ways to hush unpleasant sounds by use of modern acoustical treatment.

NOW that production of radio receivers has reached peacetime proportions and more and more sets are appearing on the market, the wise serviceman-dealer is beginning to think in terms of competition ahead—if he has not already done so.

Manufacturers are lending vital support to their distributors and dealers in the way of promotional material, and consumer advertising. The market is ready, but whether or not the dealer is successful depends on a great number of factors. One of the important customer decisions will be "*Where* shall I buy my new radio?" A pleasing and restful atmosphere in the dealer store will be one the considerations which will carry weight with prospective customers.

While hundreds of retailers have, in the past, been in contact with architects, builders and sales engineers, and have been getting set for the time when they could modernize their stores, many have neglected to even consider such a program because of the lack of merchandise and experienced sales help which characterized the war period. It can be assumed that soon the public will settle down and be more selective in their choice of merchandise and the retail outlets.

To this end, the modern, up-to-date radio store will strive to include in its modernizing program a favorable combination of all elements, such as, floor, walls, ceiling, entrance, store proper, lighting, air conditioning, ventilation and sound conditioning.

Sound Conditioning

Sound conditioning is the art and practice of treating rooms and the interiors of buildings so as to minimize the annoying effects of noise—"unwanted sound."

This is done by the use of sound absorbing materials. When a sound wave strikes a wall, its energy is partially reflected, partially absorbed, and partially transmitted. Any absorption at the point of reflection will tend to decrease the different components and minimize the characteristics of direct sound. Acoustical treatment and the shape of the room must be such that reflected sound is thoroughly diffused.

Sound travels in spherical waves at a speed of 1120 feet per second, in all directions from the source. Within the store area when the sound strikes the walls, ceilings or floor, some is absorbed, the balance is reflected back into the room. The absorption coefficients of some well known materials and furnishings are as follows.

Material	Absorbs	Reflects
Plaster	.025	.975
Concrete	.015	.985
Wood	.03	.97
Glass	.027	.973
Carpet	.20	.80
Acousti-Celotex C-9	.70	.30

One can easily see from the above why noise can build up to such a volume as to be exceedingly irritating.

Materials are available today which are made especially to quiet excessive noise within all types of areas. These

are called "acoustical materials" and are made of various basic materials. All are porous in construction. They absorb more sound than they reflect. They are tested and rated for their absorption coefficients at a number of frequencies by both the Acoustical Materials Association and by the National Bureau of Standards. The efficiency of an acoustical material is expressed in simple percentage of sound absorbed at various frequencies.

Installing Acoustical Tile

Acoustical tile for sound conditioning may be applied directly to an existing ceiling by means of adhesive, or nailed to wood strips attached to the ceiling. In order to lower an exceptionally high interior, or in the case of loose, falling plaster or scaling paint, a suspended ceiling is installed by attaching 1" x 3" wood strips 12" on center to 2" x 4" wood strips 30" on center suspended from ceiling to desired height by means of straps or hangers. Acoustical tile not only quiets sound, but insulates, decorates and provides excellent light reflection as well.

It is not at all necessary to close shop while installing acoustical tile. In fact, it is good policy to advertise same, acquaint customers with the fact the improvements are being made for their benefit. Everything done in the way of store modernizing is reflected in merchandise display and increased sales.

Results of Sound Conditioning

Various types of store equipment, i.e., telephones, typewriters, and office machines generate as much sound in one location as another. By use of sound absorbing material the loudness is cut down because the original sound dies out faster. It is not amplified by repeated reflections from wall-to-wall and from ceiling-to-floor as in an average untreated room, but is quickly absorbed.

In a radio store, noise quieting is an essential feature. In playback or demonstration rooms sound conditioning is coupled with sound insulation in order to insure an ideal hearing condition and also to eliminate sound transmission.

A common acoustical problem in building construction is the transmission of sound through walls, floors and ceilings. In practically all types of construction, sound transmission from one room to another through the dividing wall takes place as a result of diaphragmatic vibration. The surface may be set into vibration either by direct mechanical impact, as by a footstep on a floor, or by the alternating air pressure due to sound waves incident on the surface. The former is called impact transmission and the latter is termed airborne transmission. In either case the vibrating surface generates new sound waves of reduced intensity in the room on the other side.

The transmission loss of any wall is a physical property of that wall just as is its weight or rigidity, and depends only on the materials and method of construction used in erecting the wall and not on the loudness of the sound striking it nor on the size or acoustical properties of the room on either side of it.

The playback or demonstration room plays a very important part in the merchandising of radios and records and record playing instruments.

Fine radio-phonographs, FM, and standard broadcast sets, free from fading, static and station interference are now being built. Superb instruments in beautiful cabinets, built by master craftsmen to meet the exacting demand of the most discriminating buyer are on the way. Prospective buyers will be assured of crystal clear reproduction of every wave in the wide range of recorded sound frequencies whether it be speech, instrumental music, song or sound effect.

Among the requirements for good listening are that volume should be adequate, however, it should not be "loudness" resulting from reverberation. The components of complex sound should maintain their proper relations, and successive sounds, in fast moving speech or music, should be clear and distinct.

Sound conditioning the playback or demonstration room is particularly desirable. Musical tones seem clearer and softer, and the result is a highly effective demonstration under ideal conditions. This room should be treated with a sufficient amount of acoustical material to prevent sound energy from building up to an uncomfortably high level. In general, due to the average size and shape of listening rooms, treatment should be distributed on both wall and ceiling areas. In this type room it is often the tendency for a large part of the sound energy created therein to be reflected back and forth between the walls themselves without striking the ceiling or the floor covering at all.

SOUND INSULATION DETAILS	WT. IN LBS. PER SQ. FT.	TRANSMISSION LOSS IN DB.	RATING
1/2" PLASTER 1/2" INSULATING LATH 2"X4" STUDS STAGGERED 16" O.C. ON 2"X6" PLATE	13.0	53.7 *	EXCELLENT
3/4" INSULATING BOARD 1/2" INSULATING BOARD STOOD LOOSE 6" LAP 2"X2" STUDS 16" O.C. ON 2"X6" PLATE	6.8	42.8 **	VERY GOOD
1/2" PLASTER 1/2" INSULATING BOARD 1/2" INSULATING BOARD STOOD LOOSE 6" LAP 2"X2" STUDS 16" O.C. ON 2"X6" PLATE	12.2	52.3 **	EXCELLENT
DOUBLE 3" HOLLOW GYPSUM TILE 2" AIR SPACE 1/2" INSULATING BOARD STOOD LOOSE 6" LAP 1/2" PLASTER	32.0	47.8 *	(FIREPROOF) EXCELLENT

* = TEST DATA BY RIVERBANK LABORATORIES
** = TEST DATA BY INSULATING BOARD INSTITUTE

Fig. 2. Average transmission losses for different types of partitions.

The acoustically correct playback room assists materially in decreasing the toughest sales resistance by contributing to the richness of tone of the instrument being demonstrated.

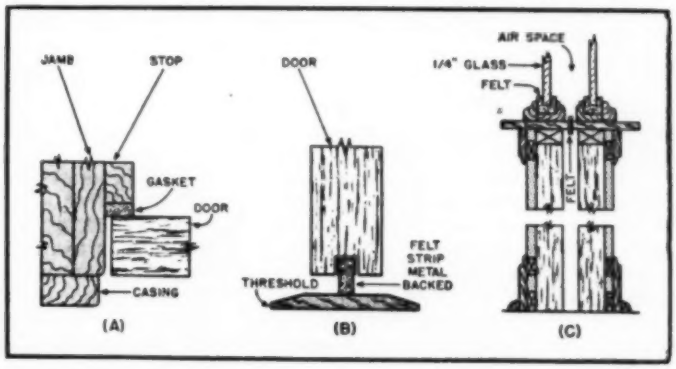
An acoustical treatment, properly applied, will produce a satisfactory effect in the room in which it is installed, and will, naturally, reduce the amount of sound to be transmitted, thus indirectly increasing the apparent sound insulating efficiency of the wall. However, experience has shown that considerably greater reduction in the transmitted sound is usually necessary for satisfactory results than is possible to obtain by acoustical treatment alone. Playback rooms should be free from extraneous noise and by the same token should not transmit noise to adjacent areas.

Construction

Both from an acoustical and economical standpoint the cubical content of a playback or demonstration room should be consistent with the required end for which it is to be used.

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Fig. 3. (A) Details of a felt or rubber gasket installation for use around door jambs. (B) Construction details for a threshold-closer for playback booth. (C) One method of constructing sound insulated windows to be used between booths or on door of playback room.

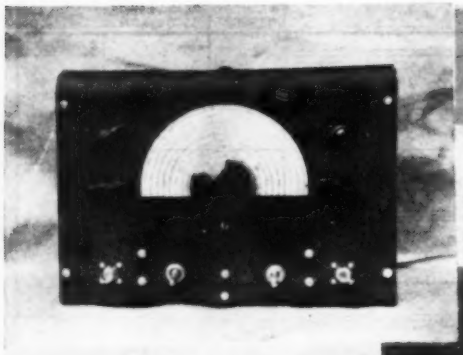


All Wave SIGNAL GENERATOR

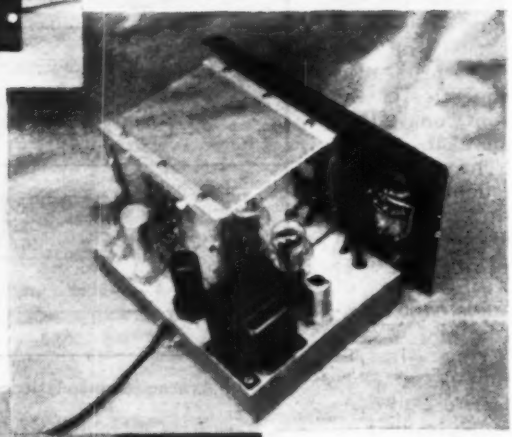
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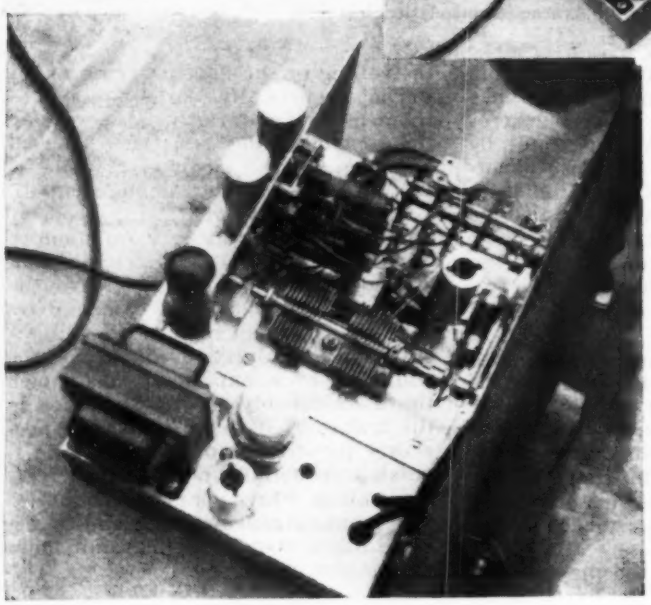
This easy-to-build signal generator covers 400 kc. to 25 mc. in seven ranges.



Front panel shows neat layout arrangement.



It is important that the r.f. section be well shielded. Aluminum is used in the construction of entire housing.



Metal housing has been removed to show details of the r.f. section. Coils of the various bands are all connected in the circuit and then selected by means of a rotary type switch.

SIGNAL generators have been used since the advent of radio. When radio frequency circuits are to be aligned and peaked, a constant, calibrated source of r.f. voltage is necessary. Means must be made to alter the voltage output from zero to full voltage in a smooth and precise manner. An a.f. modulator is useful for providing modulated r.f. Most readers are familiar with this serviceable test equipment item and the uses to which it may be put.

This signal generator was designed and built while test equipment was still scarce. It is the author's contention that, for the average experimentor, a *good* commercial instrument is the better investment. For those who may like to "roll their own," here it is.

Certain requirements had to be met in the design of this signal generator: 1—Simplicity, 2—Dial directly calibrated in frequency, 3—Low, constant impedance output, 4—Good bandspread, 5—Good shielding, 6—Voltage regulated power supply.

The first requirement of simplicity is met by omitting a calibrated voltage output. Voltage calibration usually cannot be relied upon over a period of time. A separate v.t.v.m. may be used for this purpose. By using iron core tuned coils, trimmer capacitors are eliminated. Several contemplated economies, such as a transformerless power supply and omission of voltage regulation were rejected since the gain far outweighed the saving.

Unlike a frequency meter, the signal generator does not require extremely accurate frequency calibration. The convenience of a directly calibrated dial rather than the calibration curve chart method can only be appreciated by those who use the instrument continuously. Dials like the *National* ACN and *Bud* No. D-1729 allow direct calibration. The main tuning dial in the described signal generator is a "home brew" as the aforementioned dials were too large. With mechanical modification, however, the "store bought" variety may be used.

Many signal generators are guilty of crowding in the higher frequencies. This is brought about by the use of the same tuning capacity for all bands. It is, of course, possible to design an r.f. section that will cover all frequencies with only three bands. The two lower bands are satisfactory but the highest is practically useless because of frequency crowding. A total of seven bands and three different tuning capacities cover the frequency range of 400 kc. to 25 mc.

During recent years, the trend has been toward low impedance r.f. outputs. Although it is true that high r.f. voltages are difficult to obtain with a low impedance loading, levels above 100 millivolts are rarely used. One advantage of a low impedance output is that a more efficient and smoother attenuator can be designed because of less capacity leakage. A second reason is that a low impedance coaxial cable may be used for introducing the r.f. into the apparatus being worked on. At the higher radio frequencies, there is difficulty in transferring the r.f. to the receiver without introducing resonance effects. This may be corrected by terminating the low impedance coaxial cable with a resistor equal to the cable's characteristic impedance.

Oscillator stability depends, to a large degree, upon the steadiness of the plate and screen voltages being applied. A well regulated power supply and voltage regulator tube makes for smooth, stable plate power.

Good r.f. shielding is necessary in a signal generator. If r.f. leakage exists to any degree, erratic and incor-

rect results may occur. For example, if a high gain i.f. amplifier is being checked for gain, it is important that a known voltage input to the amplifier be compared to the amplifier output voltage. If uncontrollable r.f. due to generator leakage exists in the vicinity, it is obvious that a correct measurement cannot be obtained. Another objectionable result of r.f. leakage is the limiting of the output attenuation. When 100 microvolts leakage exists, the minimum signal from the generator cannot be any less than this amount, regardless of attenuator setting.

The two points through which the r.f. leakage can occur are through the line cord and through the generator shield. A low pass filter will adequately take care of line leakage. Leakage because of defective shielding can be minimized by correct shield design. The principal considerations are:

1. Shielding be of sufficient thickness and good r.f. conductivity, such as copper or aluminum. Iron, unless copper plated, is inefficient as an r.f. shield.

2. Bring all grounds within the shield to a common point, thus minimizing shield currents.

3. Use filters on all outgoing leads such as filament, plate, etc. Good shielding is of no avail if radiating "antennas" are projecting outside.

4. Spaced, concentric shields that are connected together electrically at only one point.

A 6AK6 midget power pentode is used as the r.f. oscillator. For the sake of stability, an electron-coupled oscillator circuit is employed. With only 150 volts on the plate and screen, drift due to heating is kept at a minimum. Any lower voltage would tend to prevent an adequate r.f. voltage across the low impedance output load.

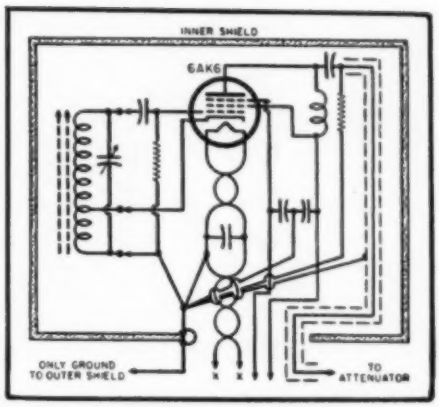
Although a straight line capacity tuning capacitor is used, much less frequency crowding at the high end of each band would occur with a straight line frequency or wavelength capacitor. By means of two extra wafers on the bandswitch, the main tuning capacity is 280 $\mu\mu$fd., 140 $\mu\mu$fd., or 70 $\mu\mu$fd. In the three lowest bands, both sections of the capacitor are in parallel. For the fourth band, only one 140 $\mu\mu$fd. section is used. In the three highest bands, both sections are in series, providing an effective tuning capacity of 70 $\mu\mu$fd.

In order to prevent the unused coils from resonating and causing dead spots, a shorting type wafer (wafer A) grounds all coils except the one in use.

The attenuator has been calculated to provide a nearly constant, low input and output impedance. With the values shown, the input impedance varies between 75 to 95 ohms, approximately. The output impedance ranges from 75 to 115 ohms.

Notice that the output coupling capacitor is only .001 μfd. and works into the low impedance attenuator load. This value of capacity attenuates the low frequencies where the r.f. oscillator output is greater and, inversely, has less attenuation for the higher frequencies where the generated r.f. is weaker. The result is a more constant r.f. output with changes in frequency.

Radio frequency chokes do not have a constant high impedance to changing frequencies, the reason being that the choke's inductance and the capacity across it, both distributed and external, cause resonance and anti-resonance effects. The plate load r.f. choke, being no exception, would cause the r.f. output voltage to vary considerably as the dial was tuned across the band. One method of eliminating this annoying effect is to lower the "*Q*" of the choke with a low shunt resistance. This is taken care of automatically by the low input impedance of the attenuator.



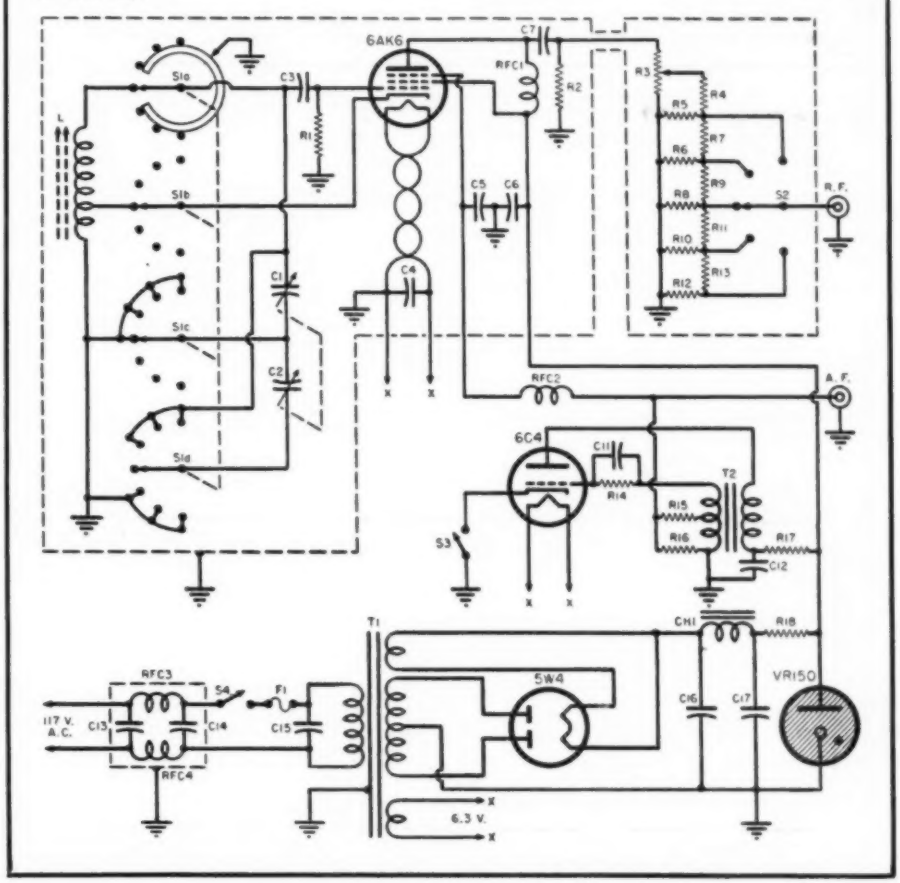
As illustrated in the diagram, the author stresses the importance of tying, at one point, all ground leads. This is considered good practice in any instrument.

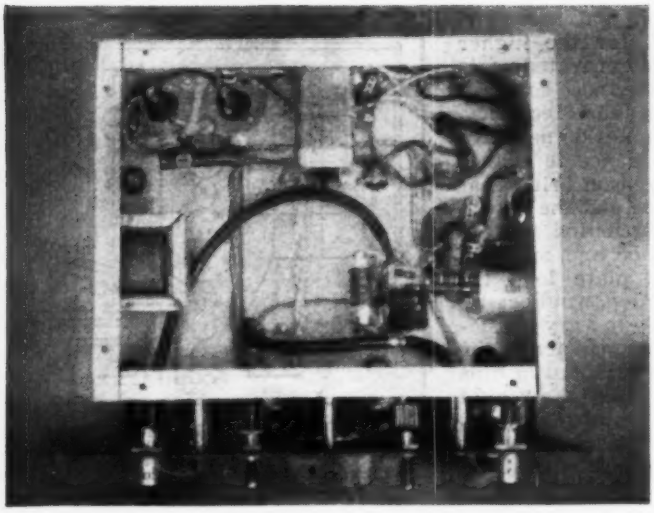
Schematic diagram of signal generator. In order to simplify the drawing only one coil (L) is shown. Coils for other six ranges must be similarly wired to switch.

R_1, R_{11}—50,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_2—100 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_3—2000 ohm pot.
R_4, R_5, R_6, R_7, R_8, R_9, R_{10}, R_{11}, R_{12}, R_{13}—200 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_{15}—100,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_{16}—10,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_{17}—4700 ohm, 1 w. res.
R_{18}—9000 ohm, 10 w. res.
C_1, C_2—Dual 140 $\mu\mu$fd. var. cond.
C_3—250 $\mu\mu$fd. mica cond.
C_4—.01 μfd., 200 v. cond.
C_5, C_{11}, C_{13}, C_{14}—.006 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C_6, C_{12}, C_{16}—.01 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C_7—.001 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C_{10}, C_{17}—40 μfd., 400 v. cond.
S_{1a}, S_{1b}, S_{1c}, S_{1d}—4 pole, 7 pos. sw.
S_2—S.p., 5 pos. sw.
S_3, S_4—S.p.s.t. sw.

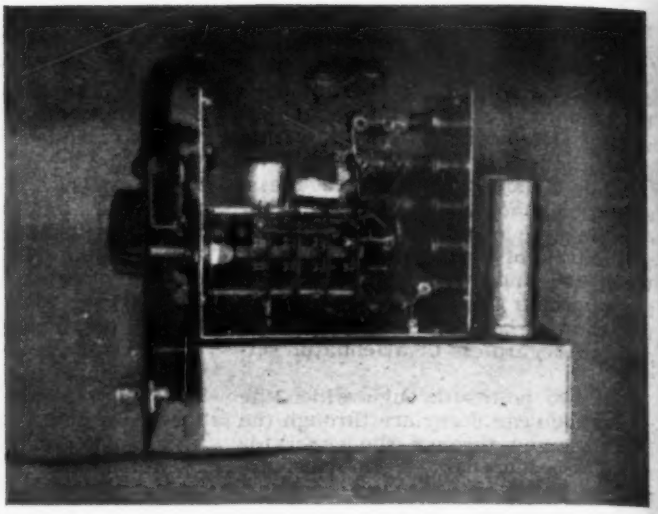
RFC_1, RFC_2—2.5 mh., r.f. choke
RFC_3, RFC_4—100 μh., r.f. choke
CH_1—15 hy., 50 ma. filter choke
T_1—Power trans., 300-0-300 @ 50 ma., 5 v. @ 2 amp., 6.3 v. @ 1 amp.
T_2—Audio trans., 3:1 ratio
F_1—1 amp., 115 v. fuse
1—6AK6 tube
1—6C4 tube
1—5W4 tube
1—VR150 tube
L—400-800 kc., 2.5 mh. r.f. choke;
.8-1.8 mc., 125 to 350 mh. iron core coil;
1.5-4.2 mc., 30 to 125 μh., iron core coil;
4-8.5 mc., 26 turns, iron core coil;
8-12 mc., 17 turns, iron core coil;
11.5-17.5 mc., 14 turns, iron core coil;
17-25 mc., self-supporting #16 wire, 12 turns

Since the 400-800 kc. and the 17-25 mc. coils do not have iron cores, small variable ceramic trimmers are used. A 25 $\mu\mu$fd. size is used across the 400-800 kc. coil while a 5 $\mu\mu$fd. size is used for the 17-25 mc. coil. All coils are tapped approximately ⅓ up from ground end for cathode tap.





Under chassis view of completed all-wave signal generator.



Side view shows details of the coil and switch assembly.

Suppressor grid a.f. modulation is used. The audio is applied to the suppressor through a 10:1 step-down voltage divider and through a low pass, r.f. filter being made up of a 2.5 millihenry choke and a .006 μfd. mica capacitor. The suppressor grid is also brought out to a coaxial receptacle on the front panel. This serves two purposes: the first; to provide a means of externally modulating the r.f. oscillator, the second, to provide a handy source of fixed frequency a.f. for audio test work.

The a.c. power line is filtered through a "pi" network consisting of two 100 microhenry chokes and two .006 μfd. mica capacitors. Be certain that the r.f. chokes will carry the 450 ma. line current.

The signal generator, complete with power supply, is self contained in an outer metal box, (*Par-Metal* CA102), that measures 7¼" high, 10" wide and 8" deep. In laying out the front panel, a symmetrical layout is achieved without the sacrifice of efficiency. In the center is the main dial with paper scale cemented on the metal panel. A Velvet Vernier movement was stolen from an old *National* Type A dial that was kicking around the junk box. This movement, with home made plastic pointer attached, is fastened to the front panel. If care is taken to draw the various lines neatly with India ink and, as a finishing touch, color alternate frequency bands for clarity, a professional looking job results.

The 7" x 9" x 2" zinc plated chassis made for the previously mentioned cabinet is punched and drilled as shown on page 124. Make a full size template layout on heavy paper stock, indicating all hole centers. Fasten the template on the chassis with scotch tape and center punch all holes directly through the template. Following this procedure will guarantee a neat, accurate job. As a precaution, check the tube socket mounting hole centers before center punching as a slight variation exists with different sockets.

Making the aluminum shield box for the r.f. oscillator will be the most difficult mechanical task. Lay out the two "U" shaped sections by first cutting each to size, then center punching as directed for the chassis. After all the drilling is accomplished, bend each section carefully. Set two pieces of angle iron in a vise and carefully bend the aluminum by pounding with a wooden mallet. A word of caution, be sure a grade of soft aluminum is used since tempered aluminum or dural, plentiful as war surplus, will crack when sharply bent.

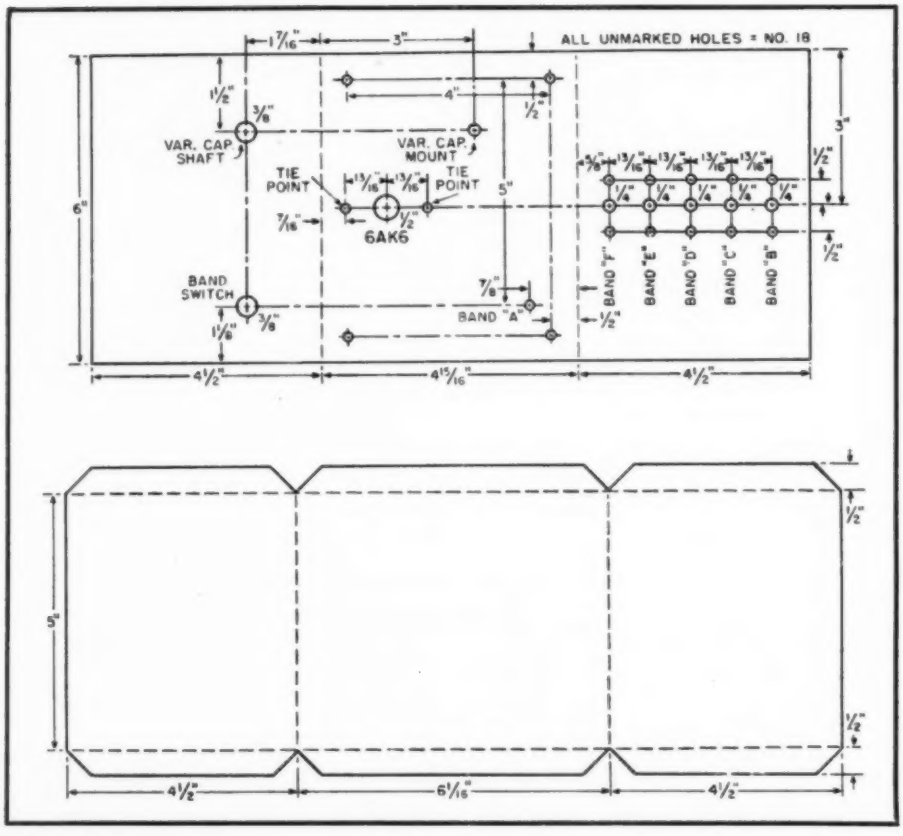
Although not shown in the photos, the attenuator has since been enclosed in a small shield box made of aluminum, to reduce leakage.

Install plastic grommets in the four chassis holes that will support the r.f. shield. The shield is mounted on top of the grommets by means of bolts and nuts. Before mounting the shield, however, install and wire all the oscillator circuits. It is easier to do this while the "U" shaped shield is free and unmounted.

Mount the front panel to the main chassis by means of long bolts and 1" spacers. This is necessary in order to allow enough room for the dial mechanism, coax receptacle and toggle switches.

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Mechanical layout for oscillator shield construction. All unmarked holes should be #18. 16 gauge soft aluminum was used for the shield construction.



Converting the SCR-522 TRANSMITTER



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A surplus item covering services between 100 and 156 mc. Details for converting receiver portion were covered in last month's issue.

Fig. 1. The converted transmitter. Power supply is built on separate chassis.

THE conversion of the transmitter portion of the SCR-522 is simplicity itself, and consists almost entirely of mechanical alterations for convenience, and the addition of a suitable power supply.

Basically, the transmitter consists of a 6G6G harmonic crystal oscillator, 12A6 harmonic amplifier, 832 tripler, and 832 final. The output of the transmitter is on the 18th harmonic of the crystal used. Modulation of the transmitter is accomplished by a low impedance dynamic microphone, which feeds a 6SS7 speech amplifier, in turn driving push-pull 12A6's as modulators. A form of cascade modulation is used with the screen of the 832 tripler modulated simultaneously with the plate and screen of the final. This form of modulation has the effect of increasing the drive to the final on modulation peaks where it is likely to be needed.

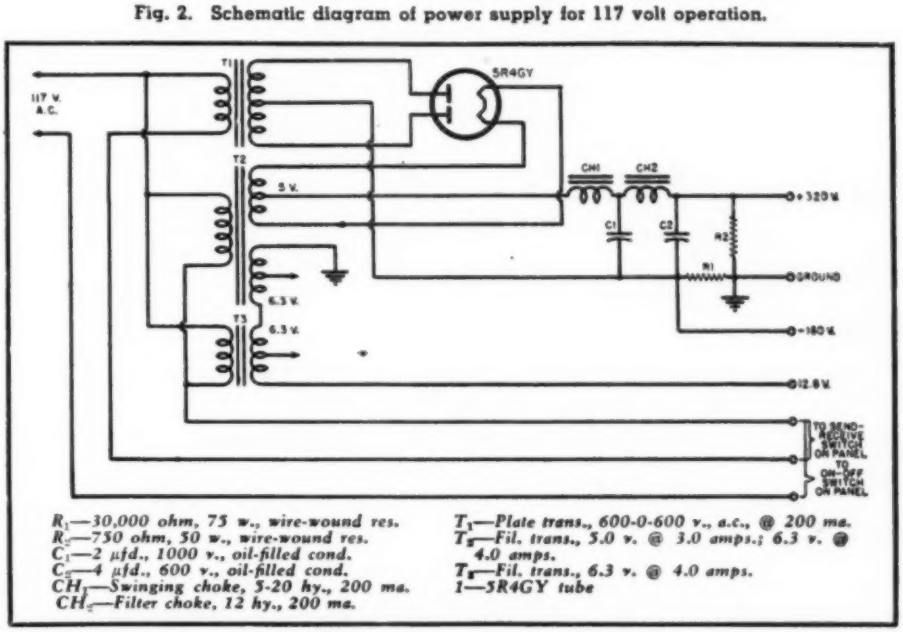
For indication of r.f. output, a 6SS7 is connected as a diode, and coupled to the tank circuit of the final. The rectified current through this diode serves as an indication of the relative output, and in addition may be used as a carrier shift indicator, enabling the modulation to be monitored to prevent overmodulation.

A feedback circuit is also provided in which the plate and grid circuits of the 6SS7 speech tube may be coupled together to allow this tube to oscillate at an audio rate of approximately 1000 cycles. This provides an easy means of tone modulating the transmitter for code operation.

The first step in the conversion is the removal of the transmitter from the case and rack. The red painted screws holding the transmitter in place should be removed, and a *Bristol* wrench to fit the 8-32 set screws on the flexible couplings procured. When these set screws are loosened, it is possible to remove the frequency shifter slides, taking care that all the

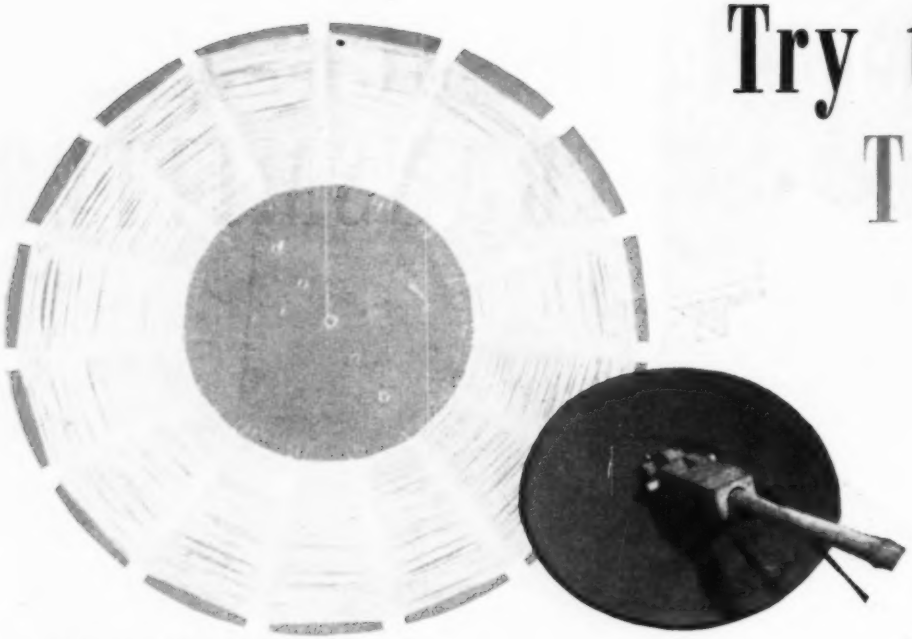
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Fig. 2. Schematic diagram of power supply for 117 volt operation.



R_1—30,000 ohm, 75 w., wire-wound res.
R_2—750 ohm, 50 w., wire-wound res.
C_1—2 μfd., 1000 v., oil-filled cond.
C_2—4 μfd., 600 v., oil-filled cond.
CH_1—Swinging choke, 5-20 hy., 200 ma.
CH_2—Filter choke, 12 hy., 200 ma.
T_1—Plate trans., 600-0-600 v., a.c., @ 200 ma.
T_2—Fil. trans., 5.0 v. @ 3.0 amps.; 6.3 v. @ 4.0 amps.
T_3—Fil. trans., 6.3 v. @ 4.0 amps.
1—5R4GY tube

Try this 1946 TREASURE FINDER



Spiderweb type loop used in search arm.

By
W. E. OSBORNE
Gilfillan Bros., Inc.

This highly sensitive metal locator can spot a copper penny at a distance of three feet.

IN THE design of any portable type of "treasure-finding" equipment, whether for gold or for oil, the potential prospector must always watch, in addition to sensitivity, two other most important points—weight and stability. The question of weight can be most deceiving, and while many experimenters will feel that 25 or 30 pounds is a very modest figure when first setting out, a few hours of toil in really wild country—which is nowadays the only type of country offering a fair chance of success—will usually disillusion the keenest enthusiast.

Batteries are, of course, responsible for most of the weight in the majority of locators, and it will be found preferable—even though more expensive—to use very light-duty batteries, and replace these frequently from spares kept in the camp.

Regarding stability, many factors are involved. These include frequency used, type of meter (if any) and degree of sensitivity required. A locator may be aligned in the workshop and perform very well around the front garden, but when climbing over rocky territory or uneven ground a very different situation arises. From the physical angle, a delicate meter will flicker uncertainly; high frequencies will provide false readings from nearby moisture or green foliage, while a highly sensitive locator, such as the beat-frequency type, needs a lot of practice, very careful handling, and constant resetting to zero beat, as every bit of conductive ore is recorded as a "find."

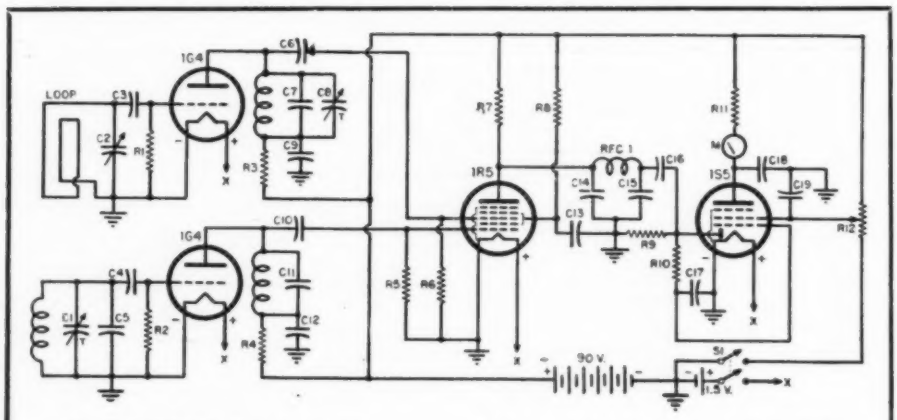
Since the war's end the conversion of military types of mine detectors to civilian use has proceeded rapidly. This is especially so in the case of the light and portable b.f.o. type (described below) and the more powerful radar or pulsed locators, which being heavier, are usually vehicle-mounted.

The total weight of the little unit to be described is only about 12 pounds, including antenna, and using very light-duty "A" and "B" batteries. The range, using a copper penny as a standard, is in the vicinity of three feet, while with larger pieces of metal up to ten feet has been recorded. The "pancake" type of loop antenna is employed and this is mounted on an 8-foot bamboo pole.

A beat-frequency circuit is used, consisting of two 1G4 oscillators, one fixed and one variable. The output of these is fed into the two control-grids of a pentagrid mixer which is a 1R5 miniature type. From here the difference frequency is filtered out and applied to the diode plate of a 1S5, also a miniature. After rectification and more filtering the signal is fed to the control grid of the pentode portion of this tube which normally is held at a little above cut-off point by a potentiometer. This pot, incidentally, constitutes one of the two main controls on the unit.

With the locator in a "search" condition, that is, with no other conductive material in the vicinity, the vari-

Fig. 1. Diagram of metal locator. Beat frequency oscillator principle is used.



R_1, R_2—500,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_3, R_4—5000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_5, R_6—2 megohm, ½ w. res.
R_7, R_8—50,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_9, R_{10}—1 megohm, ½ w. res.
R_{11}—100,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_{12}—1 megohm pot.
C_1, C_2—75 μμfd. trimmer cond.
C_3—100 μμfd. var. cond.
C_3, C_4—200 μμfd., mica cond.
C_5, C_7—100 μμfd., mica cond.
C_6, C_{10}, C_{14}, C_{15}—.001 μfd., 200 v. cond.
C_9, C_{12}, C_{13}—.01 μfd., 200 v. cond.
C_{11}—150 μμfd., mica cond.
C_{16}, C_{17}, C_{18}, C_{19}—.1 μfd., 200 v. cond.
RFC_1—15 mh. r.f. choke
M—0-100 microampere meter
S_1—D.p.s.t. sw.
Coils and Loop—See text
2—1G4 tubes
1—1R5 tube
1—1S5 tube

ble oscillator (with the loop antenna as its grid inductance) is set at zero beat, i.e., to the exact frequency of the fixed oscillator. In this condition there will naturally be no output from the mixer tube. However, as soon as the loop approaches a metallic object, the frequency of this oscillator changes, and a difference frequency (as well as a "sum" frequency, which we disregard and filter out) appears at the mixer output. After negotiating a low-pass filter, this difference frequency is rectified negatively by the diode, and the resulting potential, being now pure d.c., brings the grid of the output tube right down to cut-off, providing meter indication at the same time.

With careful layout and wiring the difference frequency can actually be registered down to four or five cycles or less, thus providing visual pulsing of the meter needle. This condition is, of course, one of extreme sensitivity as far as the loop antenna is concerned.

Now to the actual building of the unit. A chassis of 18 or 20 gauge aluminum is required, the size being 7" x 5¼" x 2¼" high, but a larger size may, of course, be used if desired.

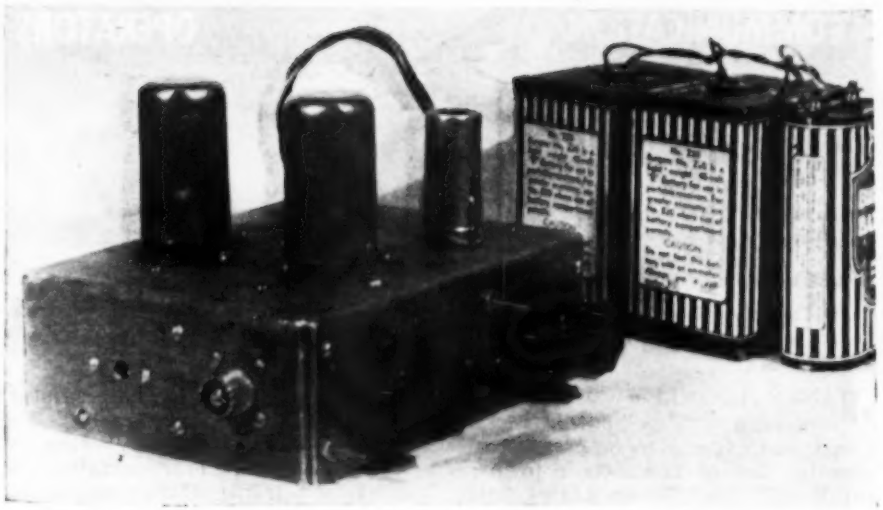
Complete shielding and isolation of the two oscillators is highly essential, and is quite simply accomplished by two aluminum shields, dividing the châssis into three parts as seen in the accompanying photographs. Careful wiring is, of course, necessary especially in the case of the signal leads between oscillator plates and mixer grids. These wires are shielded in flexible braid.

The signal frequency is of the order of 80 kc. and tuned-grid, tuned-plate oscillators are employed. It may be well to mention here that in comparison with the Hartley type of oscillator two extra coils were used. However, the Hartley requires three leads out to the loop antenna against the present two, and as these leads must be shielded in both cases, a lot of self-capacity trouble was avoided.

Three inductances are therefore required, of approximately 25 millihenries each. This value corresponds very nearly to that of certain standard r.f. chokes, but in case the reader possesses coil-winding facilities, 750 turns of 5/43 Litz wire, honeycomb wound on a ½" diameter former, will fill the bill. The coil width is ½", and the finished job is soaked in hot wax.

A suggested layout, as used in the original model, is shown in Fig. 2. Only one variable condenser is necessary (midget type, 75 or 100 μμfd. max.) plus two mica adjustable trimmers. In the original model one of these trimmers (plate circuit, variable oscillator) possessed a shaft instead of the usual screw-driver adjustment, so it was given a knob and mounted on the panel, but this is not absolutely necessary. The fixed oscillator trimmer (grid circuit) must never be varied after setting up for maximum oscillation.

After wiring, first test for oscillation with a midget neon bulb of the 991 type. There is usually enough r.f. to light the bulb simply by holding it near the r.f. coils. If not, solder a two-inch piece of wire onto one of the two bulb connections, and touch this wire on the output connections of the two oscillators in turn (or on the mixer grid terminals), at the same time adjusting the trimmers. A meter in the grid circuit of the oscillators will also serve the same purpose. As the mixer tube tends to load down the oscillators, a small fixed condenser of 5 or 10 μμfd., connected between plate and grid of each 1G4, is often necessary to force oscillation.



Front-side view of completed instrument. Panel has been removed to show detail.

The output meter, which is the sole indicator when searching for precious metals, should obviously be as sensitive as possible. However, a word of caution is necessary, as when walking over rough ground, the physical jolting will cause a 50 μa. needle to flicker a good deal, while on the other hand, a 1 milliampere movement, while better from the physical angle, is hardly as sensitive as could be desired.

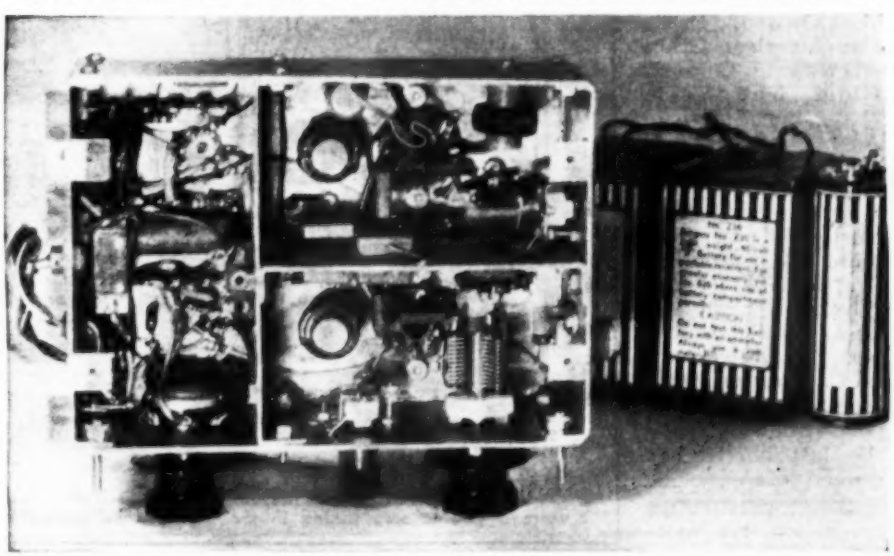
A compromise is therefore necessary, and the writer recommends a 100 or 200 μa. meter, although if the reader has a ½ or 1 milliampere unit on hand, by all means use it.

After oscillation has been established, set the meter to nearly full scale by adjustment of the output potentiometer. This controls screen and plate current almost to cut-off point. Now rotate the variable condenser very slowly and watch for meter indication back towards zero reading. If the two oscillator frequencies are approximately correct, an indication can easily be obtained either side of zero beat. However, the sensitivity here is very poor. The operator must watch for a small "kick" of the meter needle in the center of these two readings, and then "nurse" this by careful tuning to a full scale movement, or nearly so. This is zero beat, and the unit is now in a highly sensitive condition — so much so in fact, that a movement of the hand several feet from the loop will cause a deflection.

A metal cover for the bottom of the

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Under-chassis view of metal locator shows placement of various component parts.





By CARL COLEMAN

JAMES McKINLEY was recently assigned to a "Cape" out of the East Coast and expects to be calling back shortly. Joseph Lewinski in town recently with his Matson Line Liberty. James E. Quinn just in after a four months trip aboard his Liberty. Fred Pratt relieved aboard a "Knot" by Neal Cofer and signed aboard another "Coastal" type craft. Henry E. Young relieved of his berth aboard a Liberty in order to attend the Sheepshead Bay radar training school. . . . John D. Ayres assigned to a "Knot" at Philadelphia. . . . Fred Howe, General Secretary-Treasurer of The Radio Officers Union, sends along some information that may be of interest to many. We are still receiving inquiries from Armed Forces members seeking advice on jobs in civilian life. . . . If you are interested in a good paying job as a Flight Radio Officer, ground radio operator or radio mechanic, write or call on any of the following: Andrew R. McKelvie, Trans Ocean Airways, Oakland Airport, Oakland, Calif.; Harrison Young, American Overseas Airlines, LaGuardia Field, N. Y.; Lester Rodman of TWA at LaGuardia Field, N. Y.; American Airlines, 100 E. 42nd St., N.Y.C.; Pan American Airways, LaGuardia Field or Miami, Fla.; TWA National Airport, Washington, D. C.; Pan American Grace Airways, Chrysler Bldg., New York, N. Y.; Pan American Airways, San Francisco; Matson Lines, Oakland Airport, Oakland, Calif.; Northwest Airlines, Municipal Airport, Seattle, Wash; Pennsylvania Central Airlines, National Airport, Washington, D. C.; National Airlines, Municipal Airport, Miami, Fla.—the last named has ground jobs only. . . . Trans Ocean Airways needs, at this writing, about 150 radio operators, mostly for ground work in Alaska. They want these men now. Wages are $475 per month. Transportation paid and return transportation will be furnished after three months if you don't like the job. American Overseas Airlines wants flight radiomen; wages run from $275 to $500 per month. . . . TWA wants ground radio operators. When contacting the above airlines give your age, class of license, experience, education and various other qualifications.

And speaking of airlines—the Navy has recently offered the airways a portion of Floyd Bennett Field, New York for commercial aviation in order to relieve the congestion at LaGuardia—If such an offer is taken up by the airlines the proposed new Idlewild Airport would be reduced in importance.

HARRY WEISS has joined the marine service field in New York. Galfrid Summerson arrived in the Gulf recently. Ronald Bradley aboard a cargo craft again. Robert Williams has a new, fast cargo ship. L. Hvidsten has resigned his marine service position and reportedly is engaged in the home service field. C. E. Williams still around town working as hard as ever.



"I warned you to stop tuning in those strip-tease shows!"

UNDER the sponsorship of the Bureau of Ships (Navy) the Electronics Lab at San Diego has started work on a half million dollar project to study the effects of weather changes on radio transmissions in the various high-frequency bands. . . . It is expected that out of the study will come a method of extending the present day range of ultra short wave radio and radar transmissions. . . . It is believed that the range of television, for example, will be jumped up from the present one hundred fifty miles to nearly two thousand. . . . So far the fact has been disclosed that the project has advanced to a stage where atmospheric changes are detected much quicker than with meteorological instruments although no positive weather forecasting is as yet possible. . . . Stations set up at bases about twenty-five miles apart have been fitted with weather instruments for studying the effect on high-frequency transmissions.

JOHN HANSON arrived recently at the big town aboard a Liberty and expects to be around town for some time. . . . Charlie Sparks in and about recently as his craft (cargo) is on the redelivery list to WSA. Ernest S. Bailey ashore from his "Knot" after it also was redelivered back to Uncle. . . . M. Meade in at the West Coast recently after traveling the Pacific for some time. . . . V. A. Smith and T. Mallonee are with HM. H. J. Mariani also another West Coast arrival with F. P. Whiting and F. E. Jones also along as second and third aboard his "Marine." . . . Harold Koch, marine serviceman at Charleston enjoying a vacation back "home" in the Mid-West.

MANY operating companies, using government owned vessels which they have been running on a charter arrangement from the U. S. Maritime Commission, have been returning them since the new announcement effective the end of August which will allow the government a larger share of the profits and less to the steamship operator. . . . Formerly the arrangement was a 50-50 proposition whereby the government could claim 50 per-cent of the daily earnings of the vessels chartered out . . . under the new set-up the charter hire payable will be 50 per-cent of the average net voyage profit up to the first one hundred dollars per day which is in excess of 10 percent of the charter's capital necessarily employed in the business . . . 75 per-cent of the next $200 per day and 90 per-cent of all net voyage profits in excess of $300 per day. . . . This means that on a voyage that nets a vessel $800 per day the U.S. gets $650 and the operator $150—the steamship operator taking

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New TRANSMITTER For Amateur Radio

By

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Introducing the salient features of a new transmitter which is designed to fulfill the needs of a large part of the medium-power ham fraternity.



Skillful design is combined with sturdy construction in this Collins 30K transmitter.

THE new *Collins* 30K has many features that are considered highly desirable in amateur radio. A large number of the more than seventy-five hams in the *Collins* organization had a voice in its specifications. After thorough consideration of all their suggestions, the design engineer selected the following as the features that could be included consistent with versatility and economy: 1. 500 watts input on c.w., somewhat less on phone; 2. single ended output; 3. complete neutralization on all bands; 4. low driving power; 5. bandswitching; 6. v.f.o. control, highly accurate and stable; 7. fixed bias; 8. electronic keying; 9. minimum power supplies; 10. high efficiency; 11. high level class "B" modulation; 12. speech clipper; 13. low pass audio filter; 14. single control operation; 15. accessibility for operation and maintenance.

The result is a versatile, thoroughly engineered transmitter with high performance and easy operation. A more detailed description of the circuit and components follows.

1. *Power input.* A power input of 500 watts on c.w. and 375 watts on phone was chosen because it is obtainable with low exciter power requirements, moderate tube costs, and economical power supply design. The 115 volt, 60 cycle a.c. power consumed by a transmitter of this size does not require special wiring.

2. *Single ended r.f. stage.* An *Eimac* 4-125A is used in the final r.f. stage. This tube is admirably suited to features 1 and 2. Using one tube in a single ended output greatly simplifies bandswitching, since only one end of each coil is switched. The 4-125A, a notable advance in beam power tetrode development, easily handles the desired power. Its high efficiency (75% to 80%) assures maximum power output. The grid driving power required is well below 10 watts and can be supplied from a low powered exciter setting on the operating desk.

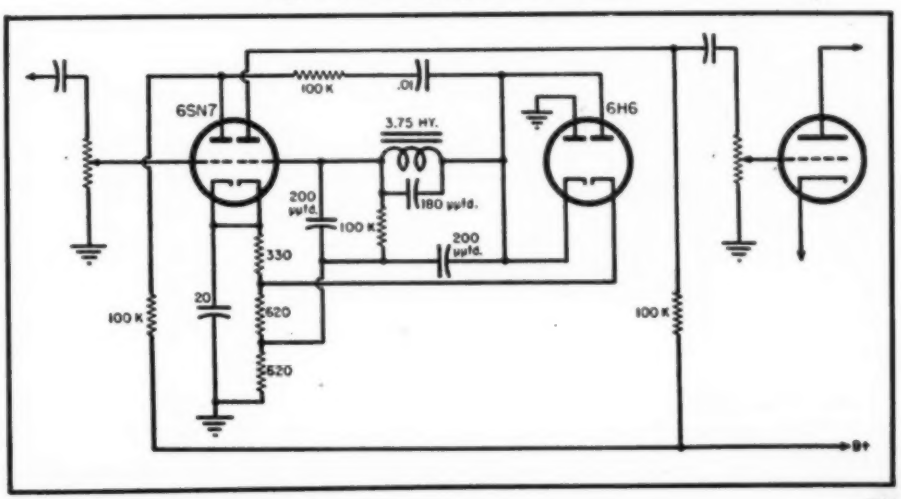
3. *Neutralization.* The 4-125A is again suited to the purpose. It requires no neutralization, even on 10 meters. Thus the circuit is simplified and a clean signal is transmitted on all bands.

4. *Low driving power.* Discussed under the second feature.

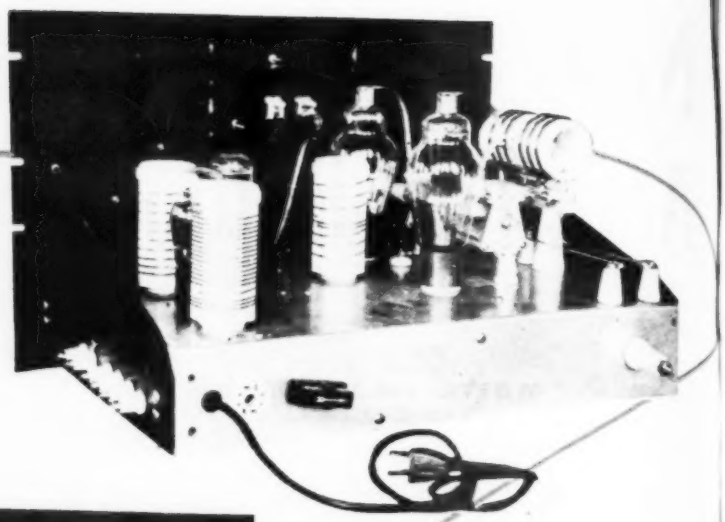
5. *Bandswitching.* The 30K has bandswitching throughout, so that the operator can change bands quickly.

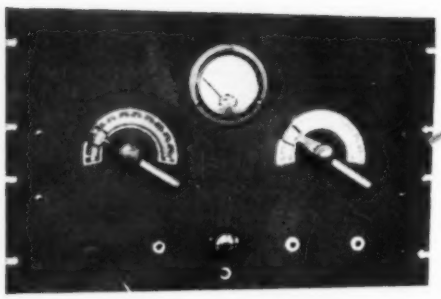
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Clipper circuit employed in transmitter.



200 watt All-band TRANSMITTER





Rear view (above) and front view (left) of the r.f. portion of the transmitter.

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An easily constructed unit incorporating either crystal or v.f.o. control for 10, 20, 40, and 80 meter bands.

THIS 200-watt transmitter operates with full input on the four amateur bands from 80 to 10 meters. Designed especially as a flexible exciter unit for use with experimental high-power radio frequency amplifiers, it is, nevertheless, an excellent medium power rig in itself. The unit is constructed completely from standard manufactured components and uses inexpensive easy-to-get tubes. It is ideal for the fellow who wants a good, simple, foolproof transmitter that is free from "bugs" yet capable of producing a husky signal on either phone or code operation.

As the photographs and Fig. 3 show, the circuit has been reduced to bare essentials. There are no frills to run up the cost of construction or trick circuits to cause trouble. The tube lineup consists of a 6L6GA which may be used as either a first doubler or as a crystal controlled oscillator, a 6L6GA second doubler and a pair of 809 triodes as push-pull final r.f. amplifier. The author uses a *Meissner* "Signal Shifter" for variable-frequency operation; the 6L6GA input tube has a tuned circuit connected between its control grid and cathode, the output from the "Signal Shifter" being connected through a low-impedance line to the grid coil link. If crystal control is desired, the connections should be made as shown in Fig. 1B. The tuning adjustments for both crystal-controlled and v.f.o. operation will be discussed in detail later in this article.

Two power supplies will be required—one capable of supplying 400 volts d.c. at 150 milliamperes for the plates and screens of the 6L6GA tubes; the other must supply 1000 volts d.c. at 250 milliamperes for the plates of the push-pull 809 power amplifier.

Table 1. Approximate dial readings for the various bands.

Band	1st doubler plate	2nd doubler plate	Final amp. plate
80 m.	not used	50	67
40 m.	not used	50	52
20 m.	24	15	30
10 m.	20	3	31

Note: The dial readings given above are approximate only. If components other than those specified are used, the dial readings may vary considerably from the values given.

The construction of the unit is extremely simple. As the photographs show, it is built up on a standard 13 by 17 by 3 inch cadmium-plated, heavy-duty steel chassis and a standard 12¼ by 19 by ⅛ inch aluminum rack panel. The aluminum panel is much easier to work than the corresponding steel type. The 6L6GA and 809 tubes, the plug-in coils, the first doubler plate tank condenser and the 809 final tank condenser are mounted on top of the chassis; the 6L6GA input tuning condenser, the second doubler plate tank condenser, the neutralizing condensers, the 809 filament transformer and the various bypass condensers, r.f. chokes and resistors are underneath the chassis. As the bottom view shows, twisted pair leads extend from the small porcelain feed-through insulators, along the end of the chassis, to the link connections of the 6L6GA input, the first doubler output, and the second doubler output coils. By attaching the v.f.o. low impedance output line to the pair of feed-through insulators nearest the rear of the chassis, excitation will be applied to the grid of the 6L6GA input or first doubler tube; a connection to the center pair of insulators will supply excitation to the grid of the 6L6GA second doubler tube; a connection to the third pair of insulators feeds excitation directly to the grid circuit of the push-pull 809s. The 6L6GA tubes are supplied with filament and plate voltage from the 400-volt power supply through an 8-prong plug and cable arrangement; the octal socket for the power connection is mounted in the back of the chassis at the extreme left. The large cone insulator at the extreme right rear of the chassis is the connection for the 1000 volt 809 plate supply lead.

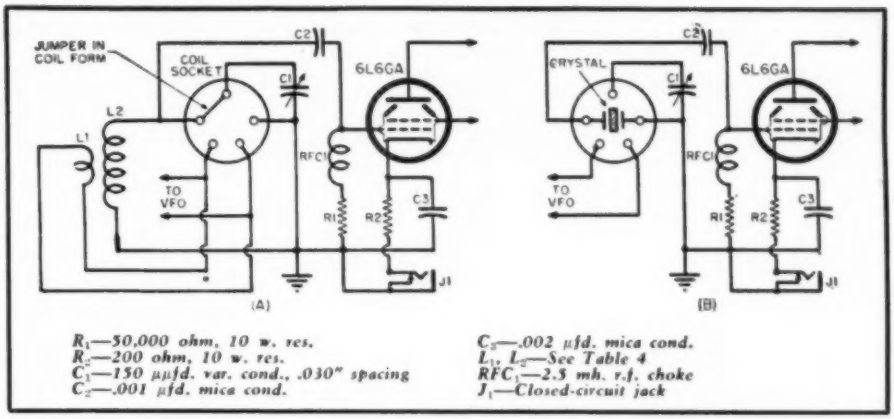
The wiring between the various

parts of the transmitter must be kept short and direct. Use #14 tinned copper round bus wire for the r.f. leads. Do not make sharp bends in the plate or grid leads; keep these leads well separated and away from the chassis. The low impedance leads, such as the filament wiring and the link lines between the feed-through insulators and the links of the various coils, may be made of insulated stranded wire and twisted and dressed close to the chassis to reduce their fields. Needless to say all connections are carefully soldered with rosin-core solder and a clean, hot and well-tinned iron.

On the front of the panel, the large pointer and scale control is that of the 809 final amplifier plate tank circuit; the control at the right is that of the first doubler plate tank circuit. In order to reduce losses to the minimum, the second doubler plate tank condenser is mounted underneath the chassis close to the plug-in coil socket and the 809 grid terminals. The small round knob at the bottom of the front panel is the control for this circuit. The control knob for the tuned input circuit of the first 6L6GA is at the left rear of the chassis, near the octal power socket. It is not necessary to bring this control out to the front panel as the "Signal Shifter" supplies sufficient excitation to the 6L6GA grid on any frequency in the 80 or 40 meter bands when the input circuit is adjusted to resonance at the center of the band. The output of the first 6L6GA falls off slightly at the extreme edges of the band but still supplies over five times the amount of excitation required by the second 6L6GA. In general, no readjustment of any control is necessary for frequency changes of one-fourth the bandwidth or less. A single 0-300 d.c. milliammeter, with a length of rubber-covered microphone cable and a phone plug which may be inserted into any one of the four jacks on the front panel, enables the operator to read the various cathode currents or the plate or grid currents of the 809 tubes at will.

The tune-up and operation of the transmitter is simplicity itself. An absorption-type wavemeter, calibrated for the 40, 20 and 10 meter amateur bands, and a small neon lamp will be a great help in getting the transmitter on the air for the first time. As mentioned above, either crystal control or v.f.o. control may be used. We shall first discuss the tune-up, neutralizing and loading procedure using a "Signal Shifter" or a v.f.o. unit such as that described in the March, 1946 issue of RADIO NEWS.

To operate the transmitter on any band from 80 to 10 meters, only two sets of v.f.o. coils will be required—one set for 80 meter output and the other set for 40 meter output. For operation on 10 meters, place the 40 meter output coils in the v.f.o. and adjust the unit to a frequency which, when quadrupled to the 10 meter band, will place the transmitter output on a frequency near the center of the band. Place a 40 meter coil in the first coil socket at the top rear of the chassis, place a 20 meter coil in the second coil socket and a 10 meter coil in the third coil socket between the second 6L6GA and the 809s. Place a 10 meter coil in the output tank jack bar. Insert an *open* phone plug in the 6L6GA second doubler cathode current jack. *Do not attach the high voltage lead to the 809 plate power connection.* With the 400 volt supply connected to the 6L6GA tubes and with 115 volts a.c. applied to the 809 filament transformer primary, hold a neon lamp near the input coil and adjust the bar knob at the rear of the chassis for maximum illumination. Now, insert the milliammeter plug in the cathode current jack of the first doubler and tune its plate circuit to resonance. The grid circuit of this tube is tuned to 40 meters and its plate circuit is tuned to 20 meters; the dip in plate current will be quite pronounced.



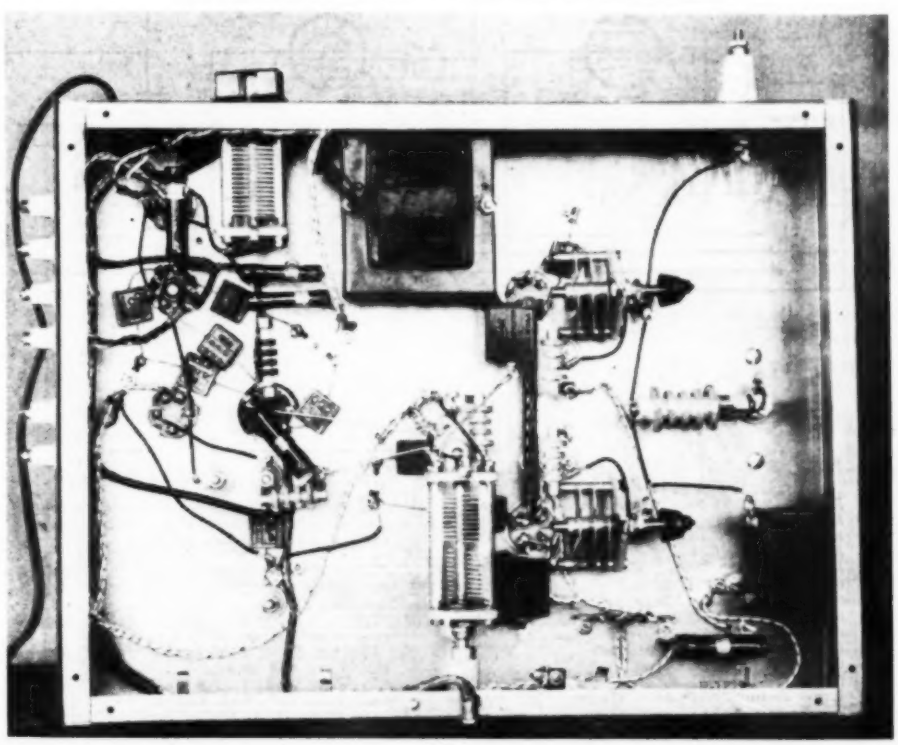
R_1—50,000 ohm, 10 w. res.
R_2—200 ohm, 10 w. res.
C_1—150 μμfd. var. cond., .030" spacing
C_2—.001 μfd. mica cond.
C_3—.002 μfd. mica cond.
L_1, L_2—See Table 4
RFC_1—2.5 mh. r.f. choke
J_1—Closed-circuit jack

Fig. 1. Connections for (A) v.f.o. and (B) crystal operation.

Band	Xtal	1st 6L6GA plate coil	2nd 6L6GA plate coil	Final amp. plate coil
80 m.	160 m.	160 m.	80 m.	80 m.
40 m.	80 m.	80 m.	40 m.	40 m
20 m.	40 m.	40 m.	20 m.	20 m.
10 m.	20 m.	20 m.	10 m.	10 m.

Table 2. Coil combinations for crystal controlled operation.

Under-chassis view of the r.f. portion of the transmitter.



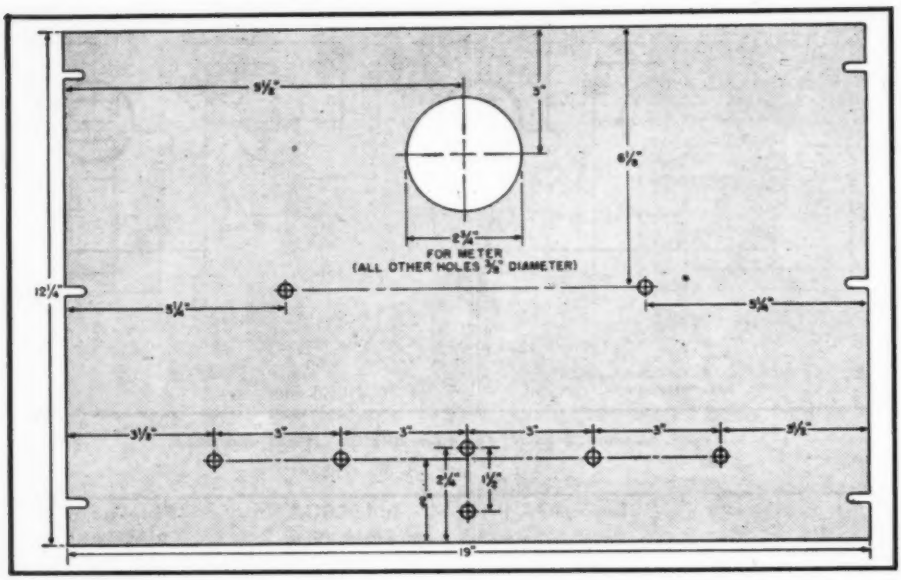


Fig. 2. Front panel layout shows proper placement of various operating controls.

Band	1st doubler grid coil	1st doubler plate coil	2nd doubler plate coil	Final amp. plate coil
80 m.	none used	none used	80 m.	80 m.
40 m.	none used	none used	40 m.	40 m.
20 m.	80 m.	40 m.	20 m.	20 m.
10 m.	40 m.	20 m.	10 m.	10 m.

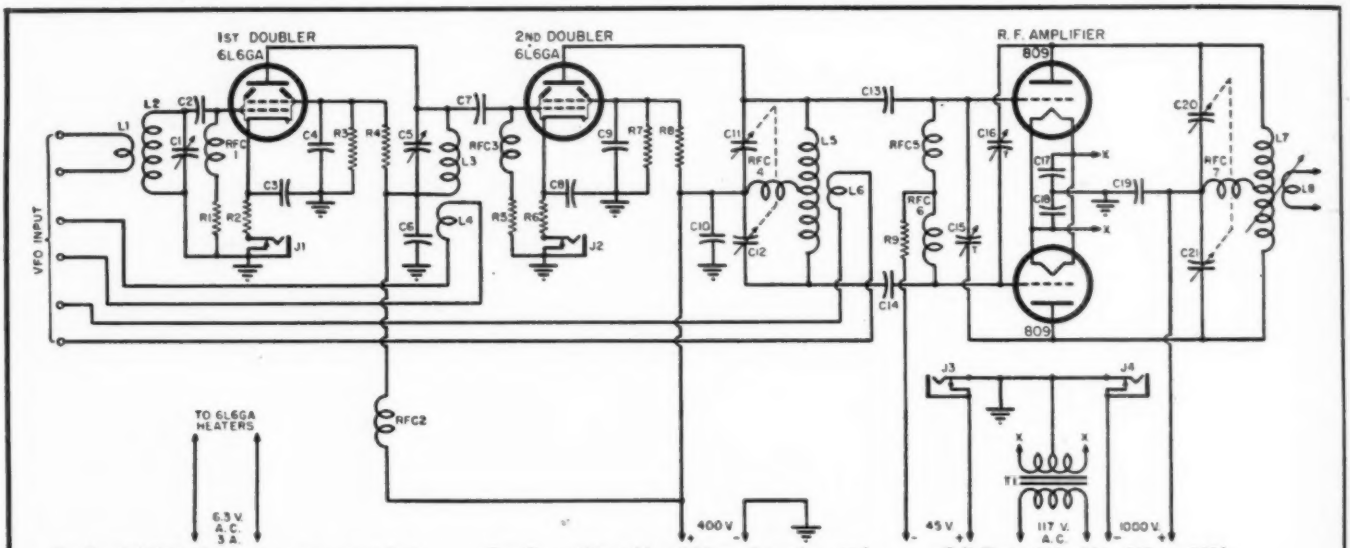
Table 3. Coil combinations to be followed for v.f.o. operation.

The plate current off resonance will be around 100 milliamperes; the plate current, when the circuit is properly tuned, will dip to approximately 40 to 45 milliamperes. *Before proceeding further, check to make certain that the first doubler plate circuit is actually tuned to the 20 meter band.* Hold the absorption wavemeter coil about four inches away from the plate tank coil, rotate the wavemeter tuning condenser through 180° and at the same time watch the cathode current milliammeter. As the wavemeter tuning condenser passes through the point where its *LC* circuit is resonant to the same frequency as that of the plate tank circuit, some r.f. energy will be absorbed from the 6L6GA plate circuit and the cathode current as indicated by the milliammeter will increase. Check the calibration of the wavemeter scale to determine the approximate frequency of the doubler output.

Remove the open phone plug from the second 6L6GA doubler cathode current jack and insert the milliammeter plug in its place. Rotate the tuning knob for the dip in plate current. The dip indication, as read on the cathode-current meter, will not be so pronounced as it was in the preceding stage. This is due to the fact that the grid circuit of the 809s is taking most of the available power from the 6L6GA plate circuit. However, the plate current should dip from around 100 milliamperes to 75 or 80 milliamperes when the circuit is properly tuned. Insert the milliammeter plug in the 809 grid current jack. The grid current should read from 40 to 50 milliamperes. It is sometimes more convenient to adjust the second doubler plate tank condenser for *maximum grid current* in the 809s, when operating on the 10 meter band, than to adjust it for minimum cathode current in the 6L6GA as the two conditions are not necessarily the same.

Up to this point we have *not* applied plate voltage to the 809s. Before

Fig. 3. Circuit diagram of the r.f. portion of the transmitter. For crystal control, Fig. 1B is to be incorporated.



R_1, R_2—30,000 ohm, 10 w., wire-wound res.
R_3, R_6—200 ohm, 10 w., wire-wound res.
R_4, R_7—50,000 ohm, 2 w., res.
R_5, R_8—10,000 ohm, 10 w., wire-wound res.
R_9—2000 ohm, 10 w., wire-wound res.
C_1, C_5—150 μμfd. (max.) var. cond., spacing .030" (Johnson 150H15)
C_2—.001 μfd., mica cond.
C_3, C_8, C_8, C_{10}, C_{17}, C_{18}—.002 μfd., mica cond.
C_4, C_9—.006 μfd., mica cond.
C_7—250 μμfd. mica cond.
C_{11}, C_{12}—Dual-section var. cond. Max. capacity per section, 100 μμfd., spacing .030" (Johnson 100HD15)
C_{13}, C_{14}—100 μμfd., 1000 v., d.c. mica cond.
C_{15}, C_{16}—Neutralizing cond., 4.3-13 μμfd., spacing .125" (Johnson 13G45)
C_{19}—.001 μfd., 5000 v., d.c. mica cond.
C_{20}, C_{21}—Dual-section var. cond. Max. capacity per section, 105 μμfd., spacing .045" (Johnson 100FD20)
L_1, L_2—See Table 3 (Johnson "Hi-Q" plug-in coil, Type 652 or 653)
L_3, L_4—See Table 3 (Johnson "Hi-Q" plug-in coil, Type 651 or 652)
L_5, L_6—See Table 3 (Johnson "Hi-Q" plug-in coil, Type 640, 641, 642, or 643)
L_7, L_8—Rotary-link, plug-in coil (Johnson "Hi-Q," Type 660, 661, 662 or 663)
RFC_1—2.5 mh. r.f. choke
RFC_2, RFC_3, RFC_4, RFC_5, RFC_6—150 ma., 1.7-30 mc. r.f. chokes (Johnson 750)
RFC_7—500 ma., 1.7-30 mc. r.f. chokes (Johnson 752)
J_1, J_2, J_3, J_4—Closed circuit jacks
T_1—Fil. trans. 105-120 v., a.c.; 6.3 v. @ 6 amps., c.t.

Although a specific part number and manufacturer is indicated for many of the above components, any parts having equivalent characteristics may be substituted.

plate voltage can be applied to the 809s the final amplifier stage must be neutralized. This is a very easy operation and need be performed only once if the instructions are carefully followed. First, rotate the two neutralizing condensers to the minimum capacity position. With the 6L6GA second doubler plate circuit tuned for maximum grid current in the 809s, swing the final amplifier plate tank condenser through the point of resonance, at the same time watch the grid current milliammeter. As the tank condenser passes through the point of resonance, the needle of the grid milliammeter will give a sharp flicker downward. Increase the capacity of the neutralizing condensers slowly until a point is reached where there is no change in the grid current as the plate tank condenser is rotated to any position on its 180° scale. It will be found that increasing the capacity of the neutralizing condensers past this critical point will again cause a change in grid current as the plate tank condenser is rotated through resonance. Once the setting of the neutralizing condensers is found where the plate tank condenser has no effect upon the grid current, tighten the locking nuts of the condensers and leave them alone. Apply the high voltage to the plate circuit of the 809s and tune the plate tank condenser for minimum plate current. The plate current of the 809s will run from 250 to 300 milliamperes or higher when the plate tank circuit is tuned to resonance. Without an antenna, the minimum plate current will be around 5 to 10 milliamperes or less when the amplifier is properly tuned.

Before attaching an antenna to the transmitter, check, in the same manner as described above, to insure that the output circuit is tuned to the 10 meter amateur band. It is relatively easy to mistake the 15 meter dip for the 10 meter dip in 6L6GA plate current and this is the principal reason why the use of an absorption wavemeter is recommended during the preliminary tune-up process. At the time of this writing no 15 meter band has been authorized for amateur use.

After it is ascertained that the transmitter is operating on the proper frequency band, attach the antenna coupling unit or the transmission line to the final plate tank link terminals. The *Johnson* 660 and 661 plate tank coils contain sufficient turns on their rotary links so that a 600 ohm line or resonant feeders *of the proper length,* may be connected directly to the output terminals without an output coupling device of any kind. For the preliminary loading adjustment, rotate the link coil for minimum coupling and tune the final amplifier for minimum plate current. Now, rotate the link coil to increase the coupling between the final tank circuit and the antenna; keep the final tank circuit tuned for minimum plate current. Continue to load the amplifier by increasing the antenna coupling and retuning the tank circuit for the dip until the minimum plate current to the 809s is 200 milliamperes. With 1000 volts applied to the plate this will give an input of 200 watts to the final amplifier and should give an r.f. output of approximately 150 watts or better.

For 20 meter operation, the v.f.o. may have either 40 or 80 meter output. If 80 meter output is used the 20 meter tune-up procedure is exactly that described above except that 80, 40 and 20 meter coils are used instead of the 40, 20 and 10 meter coils specified. *Check the doubler stages with the wavemeter to make sure that the transmitter is operating on an authorized amateur band.* A little care may save suspension of your amateur station and operator license. If 40 meter v.f.o. output is used, connect the v.f.o. output to the center pair of feed-through insulators and place an open phone plug in the cathode current jack of the first 6L6GA tube.

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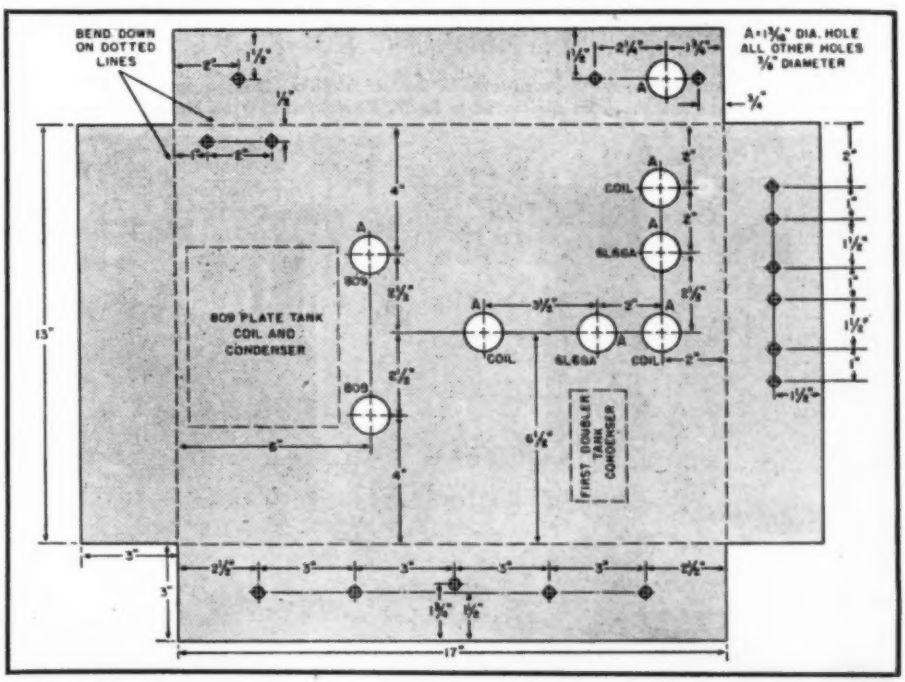
COIL SPECIFICATIONS

Type	Form	Winding Length	No. Turns	Wire Size
651	5-prong 1¾" dia.	2 inches	8 pl. 2 link	#20 enam.
652	5-prong 1¾" dia.	2 inches	16 pl. 3 link	#20 enam.
653	5-prong 1¾" dia.	2 inches	32 pl. 4 link	#20 enam.
640	5-prong 1¾" dia.	2¼ inches	6 pl. 4 link	#20 enam.
641	5-prong 1¾" dia.	2¼ inches	12 pl. 3 link	#20 enam.
642	5-prong 1¾" dia.	2¼ inches	24 pl. 3 link	#20 enam.
643	5-prong 1¾" dia.	2¼ inches	36 pl. 4 link	#22 enam.
660	4 1/16" x 2"	3 inches	6 pl. 9 link	#12 enam.
661	4 1/16" x 2½"	3 inches	10 pl. 9 link	#12 enam.
662	4 1/16" x 2½"	3 inches	18 pl. 13 link	#12 enam.
663	4 1/16" x 2½"	3 inches	28 pl. 14 link	#14 enam.

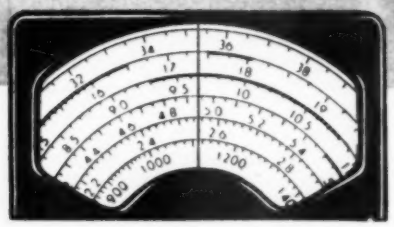
Coils listed above are manufactured by the *E. F. Johnson Co.* Coils of other manufacture having similar electrical characteristics may be substituted, if desired. Types 651, 652 and 653 are wound with link at bottom end of plate coil; types 640, 641, 642 and 643 are wound with a center tap and with link at center of plate coil. The types 660, 661, 662 and 663 are wound with center tap and have variable rotary-type links.

Table 4. Coil specification chart. See parts list, Fig. 3, for further details.

Fig. 4. Chassis template shows correct location of major components.



International SHORT-WAVE



***Compiled by* KENNETH R. BOORD**

IT IS with much pleasure that this month's International Short-Wave Department is dedicated to "Radio in Sweden." Almost every short-wave broadcaster speaks of the many listeners in this northwestern European country. *Are Swedish short-wave listeners the most active in the world?*

When we posed this question to Arne Skoog, short-wave authority in Sweden, in answer he cited these facts:

The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation writes in a printed booklet: "Reports from Sweden, England, and France rate its 50 - kilowatt beam the loudest and clearest signal from this continent. . . ." (The name of Sweden was placed first, Mr. Skoog noted.)

From *Radio Australia* comes this comment: ". . . Significantly, *Radio Australia* has many fans in Northern Europe, particularly in Sweden — a neutral country where short-wave listening was entirely free. They tell you why they listen—because *Radio Australia* has an accurate news survey, because they're curious about the country and its peoples. To many of them it is a prospective home."

An official of KU5Q, Guam, wrote in a verification-letter: "Although KU5Q has been heard on every continent except Antarctica, more reports are received from Sweden than from the rest of the world combined."

The same testimonial comes from the Middle East Forces' Broadcasting Service, Cairo, concerning reports to JCKW, Jerusalem, Palestine, where 256 reports were received from Sweden during the period, September 14, 1944-March 13, 1946.

Madame Angele Touchard of the Swedish section, *Radiodiffusion Francaise*, has received more letters from listeners than any other chef de section at the Paris Radio.

HCJB, "The Pioneer Missionary Broadcaster" in Quito, Ecuador, has received more than 600 letters and reports from Sweden.

When in May, 1944, *Radio Tokyo* dedicated a program in Swedish to the Radio Club of Sweden, over JLT3, 15.225, the Club received 518 reports on this single broadcast.

A low-powered short-wave station in Spain, *Radio Mediterraneo Valencia*, intends to broadcast a special program in Swedish—but it is much more remarkable that the 9.3 kw. station, *"Radio Coro,"* in Venezuela, has received so many fine reports from Sweden that they are now searching for a Swedish-speaking person in Coro to voice a program in Swedish.

You can figure it out for yourselves —but your short-wave editor would like to add that of all the countries from which we receive regular reports, Sweden leads the list with 29 monitors; this, of course, excludes the United States. Reports from Sweden are detailed and accurate, and they clearly indicate that short-wave listeners there do take their short-wave DXing quite seriously.

The population of Sweden is around 6,600,000. Of that number, the BBC concludes that almost 5,000,000 persons have heard a broadcast in Swedish on short-wave from London at one time.

It is further estimated that *"The Voice of America"* has been received in Sweden by about 100,000 listeners. There are more than 1,800,000 radio sets in the country, probably 1,000,000 of which are equipped with short-wave bands.

Mr. Skoog points out to us that the radio industry in his country was not so actively engaged in war-supply production as was the case in other countries. New receivers were sold as usual in almost every radio shop in Sweden throughout the war.

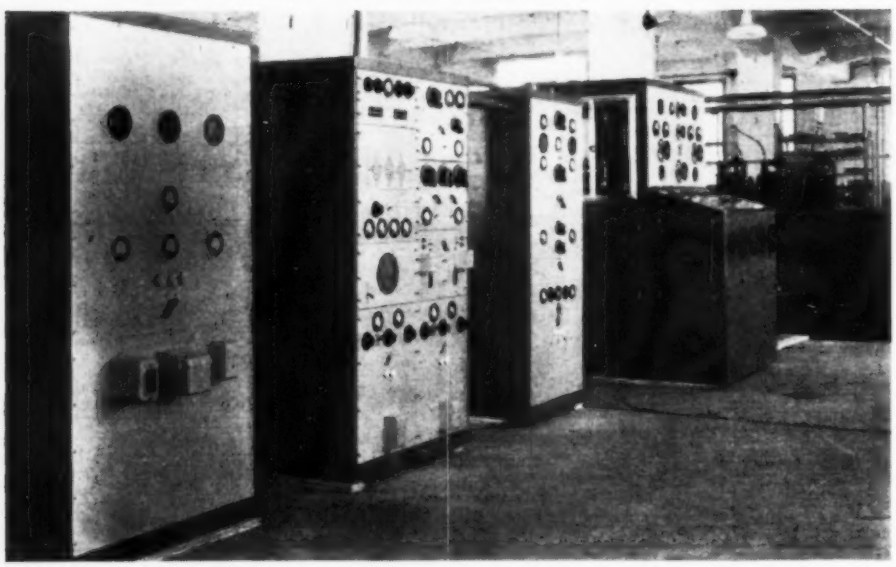
"The Swedish radio sets appear to be better for short-wave tuning than the American (broadcast) sets in general, thanks to their longer dials and wider-spread short-wave bands," Mr. Skoog explains. "They are, however, only marked by wavelengths in meters and not in frequencies (megacycles or kilocycles), which is a matter of difficulty to some listeners in tuning stations that announce only frequency.

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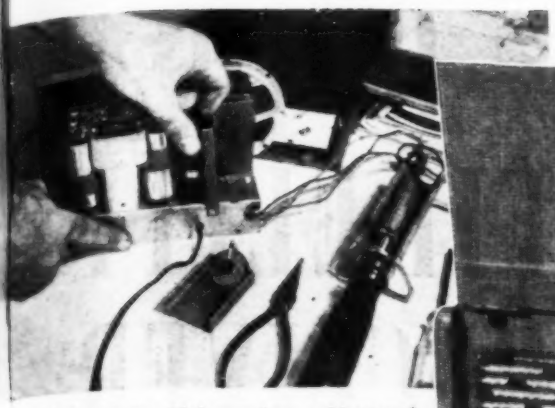
SWEDISH RADIO TO BROADCAST SPECIAL PROGRAM ON NOVEMBER 24 FOR READERS OF RADIO NEWS

On November 24, 1946, between 1600-1630 GMT (11-11:30 a.m. EST), *Radiotjanst* (The Swedish Radio) will broadcast a special DX program dedicated to readers of RADIO NEWS. Arne Skoog, short-wave authority in Sweden, who arranged the broadcast, will be at the microphone. The program will be radiated over SBT, 15.155, and SDB2, 10.780, and will immediately follow the regular North American beam, which is heard 1500-1555 GMT (10-10:55 a.m. EST). *English* will be the principal language used for the period. Verifications will be sent and return postage (IRC) is *not* required. Address, Radiotjanst (The Swedish Broadcasting Corporation), Stockholm 7, Sweden (Sverige). *(Your short-wave editor would also appreciate a report from all those who tune in this broadcast, and can be addressed at 948 Stewartstown Road, Morgantown, West Virginia, U. S. A.)*

One of the two short-wave transmitters (12 kw.) at Motala. This equipment will be used to transmit the program dedicated to Radio News and ISW on November 24th.



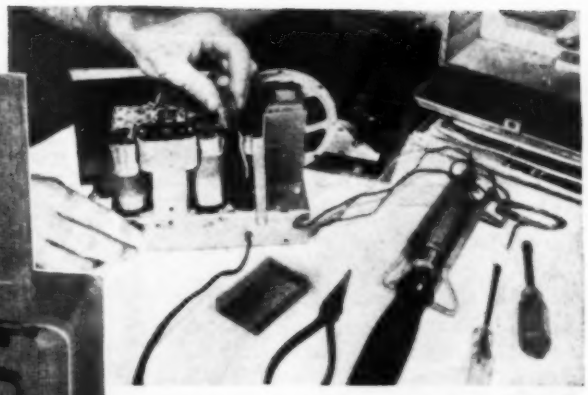
Unless otherwise indicated, all time herein is in *Eastern Standard Time*, 5 hours *behind* GMT.



2 Chassis is withdrawn from cabinet and rectifier tube removed. Only four tools are needed for complete conversion.

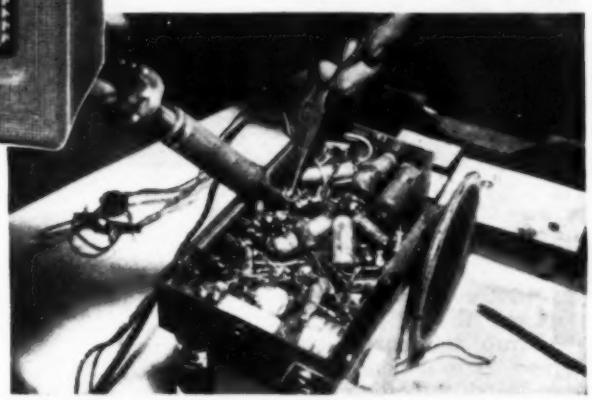


1 Typical portable receiver used to illustrate step-by-step installation of selenium rectifier.



3 Two extension leads are soldered on the selenium rectifier lugs. Positive side is shown by red wire, negative by yellow or black.

New Selenium Rectifiers for Home Receivers



4 Here the leads are soldered on to the appropriate pins. The red wire goes to pin 4 while yellow or black wire, whichever is used, is soldered to pin 5.

By **GEORGE EANNARINO**
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Selenium rectifiers have been designed to replace all conventional types of rectifier tubes used in home receivers.



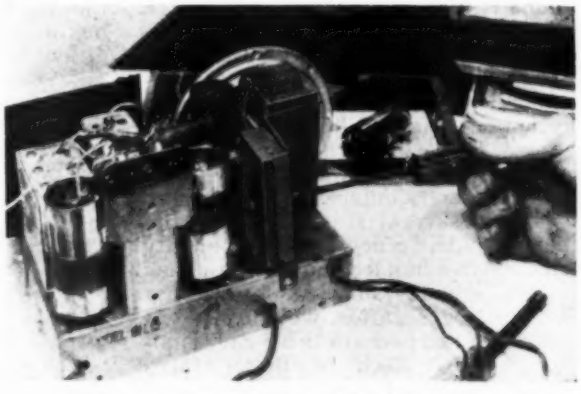
5 Rectifier operation should now be checked by turning the receiver on. The set should operate immediately without the customary warm-up period.

MARKEDLY improving the performance of home receivers and completely trouble-free, the new miniature selenium rectifier stack, developed by *Federal Telephone and Radio Corporation*, Newark, N. J. means more "customer satisfaction" plus increased profits to the up-to-the-minute serviceman. One of the first advancements made in home radios since the end of the war, this stack replaces all conventional rectifier tubes, is simple to install, and is guaranteed to outlive the receiver, thereby ensuring a minimum of power supply failures.

With competition in the service field mounting, this latest development should provide a "shot in the arm" for many alert radio repairmen for it has such excellent selling points, such as instantaneous starting for both a.c. and d.c., less heat, longer battery life (in portables), improved tonal quality, trouble-free power supply operation, pilot light failures reduced to a minimum, and more audio output (in 35Z5 circuits). In every case this new type of rectifier means customer satisfaction.

Selenium rectifiers have been used in electronic circuits for many years but due to their relatively high cost and large space factor they were not used in home receiver rectifier circuits. However, by virtue of a new process developed by *Federal*, this cost and space factor has been reduced to the point where use of the miniature selenium rectifier is entirely practical.

The rectifier stack has two distinct poles, positive and negative, corresponding to the plate and cathode of the vacuum tube and can be inserted into the circuit as such. The positive (*Continued on page* 131)



6 Final operation consists of tightening rectifier to the chassis and placing shield over it. Chassis is then returned to the cabinet with conversion completed.

HIGH FIDELITY RECEIVER

By
J. C. HOADLEY

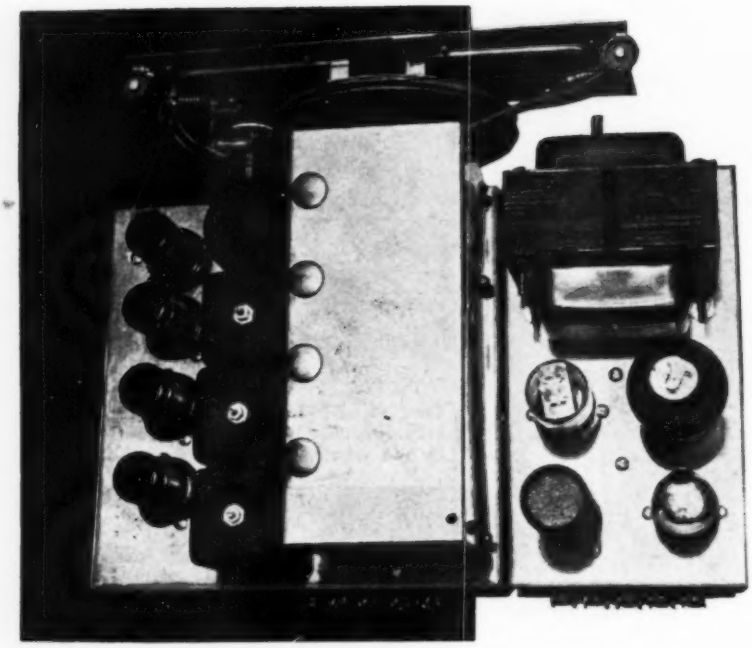


Fig. 1. Top view of the completed receiver. Note that the power supply and audio amplifier are built as separate units.

Details for constructing TRF receiver which features an infinite impedance detector and high fidelity amplifier.

FOR real high fidelity reception, one should put a little thought into the construction of a receiver. It is undoubtedly true that a broadband superheterodyne receiver offers a lot of advantages, such as flat bandpass over any desired range, constant sensitivity over the broadcast band, high sensitivity, and extreme selectivity on each side of the pass band, but there are also disadvantages.

The circuit of a high fidelity superheterodyne is necessarily complex, which multiplies the possibilities of oscillation, hum and noise. Because of the complexity, the cost is high. Also, at this writing, there are not any broadband i.f. transformers available. We can, however, at a reasonable cost, build a tuned radio frequency receiver which will produce fidelity comparable to the best superheterodyne and be selective enough to separate any local stations more than twenty kilocycles apart. Its effective range is about fifty miles, with a short indoor antenna. If a large outdoor antenna is used, it would, in rural areas, prove to be quite a distance getter.

Due to such troubles as QRM, QRN, fading, selective fading, etc., it is extremely difficult to realize high fidelity reception from a distant station; so, we want a receiver which has sufficient sensitivity to receive only the local stations. It is unpleasant to have to listen to several stations located on the same frequency, one in your city and one five hundred miles away.

To provide sufficient sensitivity without regeneration, we will need at least two and perhaps three r.f. amplifier stages. Each of these stages should be tuned with a ganged variable condenser. We must have a distortionless detector circuit, preferably tuned with the condenser gang, also. If you can obtain a four-gang condenser, by all means include the third r.f. stage. The receiver can be built with a three-gang, however, with good results. In either case, care must be taken to prevent oscillation, a perverse tendency of r.f. stages.

There are several choices of tubes for the r.f. amplifier lineup. Normally, the choice would be 6SK7 tubes, but if we wish to operate our tuner on a low voltage, 6AB7 tubes can be used. The author found that maximum sensitivity could be obtained with the 6AB7s with only an 80 volt plate supply drawing about 14 milliamperes. If one were considering battery operation of the tuner in a rural location, 6AB7 tubes would be a good choice.

The detector is another item that should be carefully considered. All the usual detectors generate distortion under certain conditions. A diode is the usual choice. However, a diode has disadvantages such as distortion at low levels of modulation. One must take care not to load the detector circuit with the a.v.c. circuit, as this can generate serious distortion.

For this application, then, a cathode follower was chosen as a detector. This type of circuit is usually referred to as an infinite impedance detector. This name was chosen because a cathode follower degenerates its input capacity to a very low value, and unlike a diode, it does not constitute heavy loading during one-half of the detected cycle. This is a great advantage as it allows the detector circuit to realize a much higher selectivity.

To provide a.v.c. without using an extra tube, a new item to the radio market, a *Germanium Crystal Diode*, manufactured by *Sylvania Electric Products Inc.*, was used. It is no larger than a one watt resistor and is provided with pigtail leads. It is soldered directly into the circuit, and according to the manufacturer, has an extremely long life. In the event that the builder wants to cut the tubes to a minimum, he may use one of these crystals as a detector.

After the radio wave is demodulated, a high quality amplifier to drive a loudspeaker must be provided. Although this amplifier is not elaborate, it has very good fidelity due to the great amount of degeneration used. The 6L6 output tube will deliver at least five watts of power to a speaker at reasonably low distortion.

So that this receiver may be of interest to a maximum of readers, it has been so designed and built as to give the reader several alternatives in its construction. The builder can construct the receiver as such. For the reader who already has an amplifier, the tuner may be constructed without the amplifier and the power supply may be made a part of the tuner or not, depending on whether the user desires to supply the tuner's power with his existing amplifier.

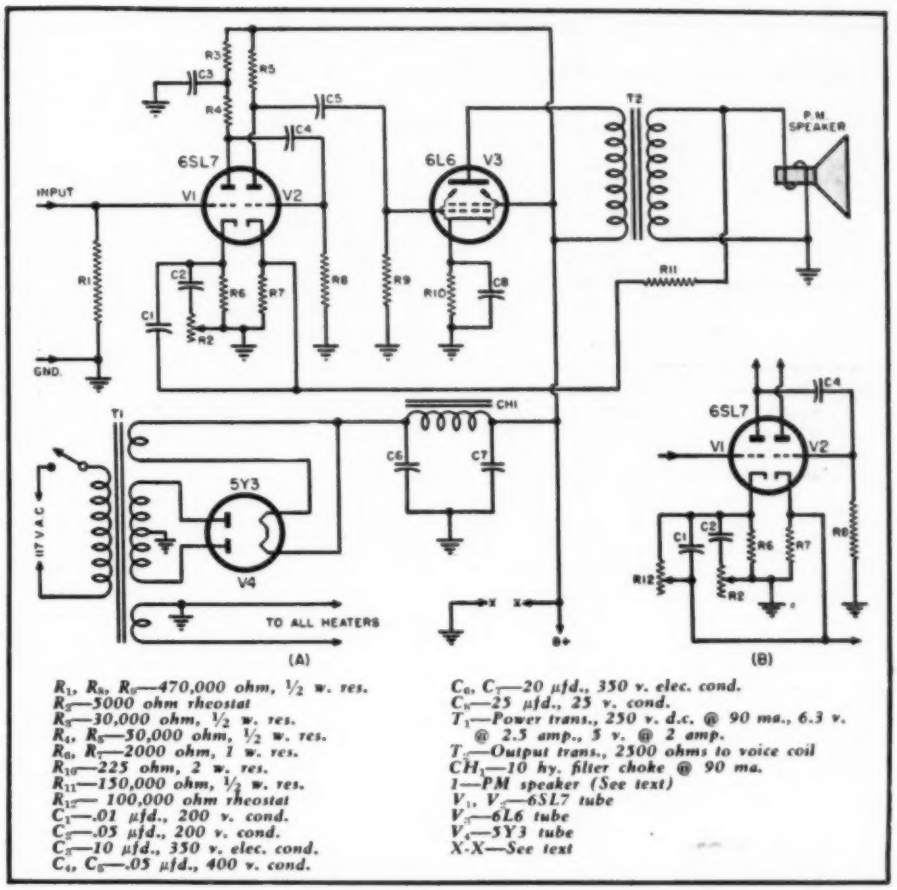
The circuit diagram of the tuner is shown in Fig. 6. Notice particularly the extensive bypassing and filtering. Considering the high gain of the circuit, this was found to be necessary. The r.f. coils are *Meissner* iron core slug tuned shielded models. The detector coil is an air core antenna coil. The condenser is a four-gang unit which matches the *Meissner* dial.

The chassis, for the tuner alone, measures 8 x 8 x 2 inches and was made from 1/16 inch aluminum. This aluminum was obtained from a 15 x 18 inch cookie sheet, which can be bought at most hardware stores for less than a dollar. The holes were punched with a one-inch *Greenlee* socket punch. The shield for the condenser was bent from the remnant of the cookie sheet. The shield's exact size will be determined by the three-or-four-gang condenser you select. Notice that the dual .1 μfd. bypass condensers (Fig. 3) are mounted in such a manner as to shield the leads from the variable condenser to the coils. If these dual units are not readily available, one can bend up small shield strips and mount one between each pair of leads. Shielded wire is out, because it will increase the minimum capacity of the tuning condenser and will not allow the receiver to tune up to 1500 kc. Normally, this receiver would tune sharply, so we have broadened it out by putting resistors across the primary and secondary of all the coils except the first r.f. stage. In this stage, which is normally quite broad, we wish to realize all the possible selectivity that we can, to reduce cross modulation and reject any and all spurious signals which might ride through the amplifier.

The trimmers are mounted directly on the tuning condenser and holes are provided in the condenser shield so that the high frequency end of the tuning range can be aligned with the shield in place. Care should be exercised in keeping all the leads short and away from each other, to reduce the possibility of oscillation. The bypass condensers should be mounted as close to the tube sockets as possible. Mount the bias resistors directly on the tube sockets so that their leads may be short. Be sure to ground the "outside foil" end of each bypass condenser. It is well to keep the filament wiring away from the other wires and close to the chassis.

The amplifier filament and plate supply connections for the tuner are made to a terminal strip located in the back of the chassis, as is the audio signal output. The amplifier and power supply (Fig. 4) are located on a separate chassis measuring 4½ x 8 x 2 inches, which can be bolted to the receiver chassis, located at some remote point, or used as a separate amplifier by itself.

The power transformer is a little oversize but this allows it to run cooler, which is a desirable design feature. The amplifier and receiver do not draw over 90 milliamperes, and the transformer is rated at 120 ma. It supplies filament power for the amplifier tubes and the tuner, a total of about 2.5 amperes at 6.3 volts. The extra plate power may be made use of in case a field model speaker is used instead of the PM model, or if an



R_1, R_8, R_9—470,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_2—5000 ohm rheostat
R_3—30,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_4, R_5—50,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_6, R_7—2000 ohm, 1 w. res.
R_{10}—225 ohm, 2 w. res.
R_{11}—150,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_{12}— 100,000 ohm rheostat
C_1—.01 μfd., 200 v. cond.
C_2—.05 μfd., 200 v. cond.
C_3—10 μfd., 350 v. elec. cond.
C_4, C_5—.05 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C_6, C_7—20 μfd., 350 v. elec. cond.
C_8—25 μfd., 25 v. cond.
T_1—Power trans., 250 v. d.c. @ 90 ma., 6.3 v. @ 2.5 amp., 5 v. @ 2 amp.
T_2—Output trans., 2500 ohms to voice coil
CH_1—10 hy. filter choke @ 90 ma.
1—PM speaker (See text)
V_1, V_2—6SL7 tube
V_3—6L6 tube
V_4—5Y3 tube
X-X—See text

Fig. 2. Circuit diagram of the power supply and audio amplifier. A high frequency boost tone control (C_2,R_2) is incorporated in the feedback circuit. If a low frequency boost is desired it may be added as shown in insert B, components C_1, R_{12}. Note that if audio amplifier oscillates reverse voice coil leads. Should this not eliminate the oscillation, the value of resistor R_{11} must be changed. The value of this resistor will vary with the different output transformers. To eliminate oscillation, the value of R_{11} should be increased until oscillation ceases. It is possible for the amplifier to oscillate at an inaudible frequency. This may be checked by temporarily connecting a dial light across the speaker voice coil. If the lamp lights the amplifier is oscillating.

Fig. 3. Under chassis view of both the amplifier and tuner.

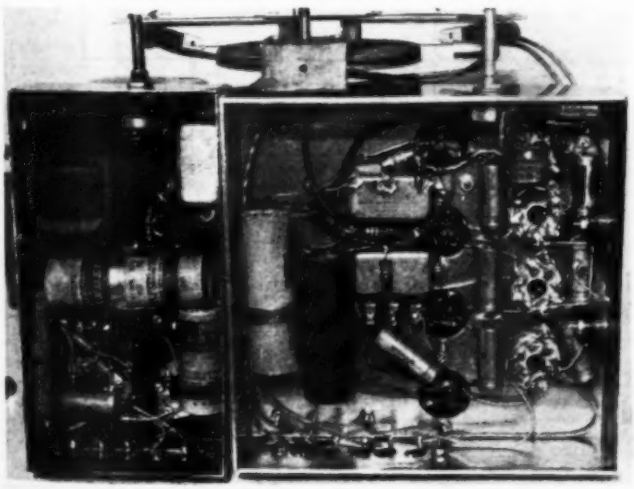
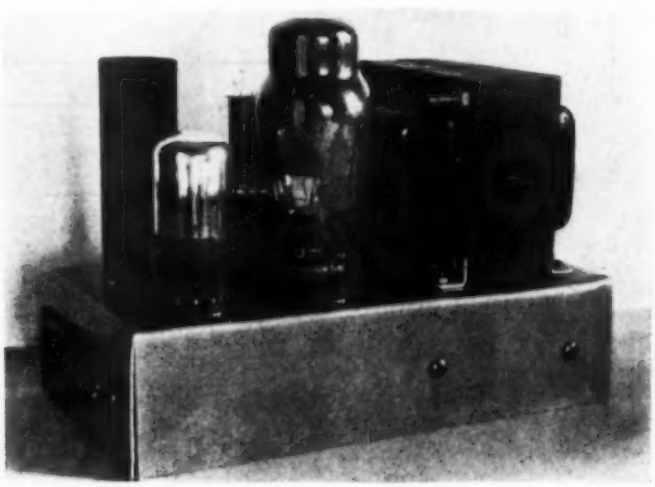


Fig. 4. Side view of power supply and audio amplifier unit.



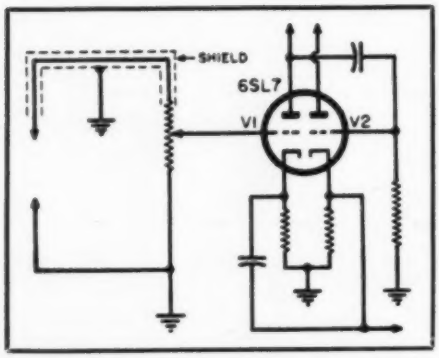


Fig. 5. Schematic diagram shows method of connecting a volume control to the input stage of the audio amplifier. This is particularly needed should the constructor want to use amplifier separate from tuner.

extra speaker is used. A 5000 ohm field or higher should be chosen and connected at the points marked *X* in the circuit diagram. It would be desirable to use the PM as the remote speaker, as then only two wires would have to be run to it. The voice coils may be placed in parallel. The negative feedback will compensate for the impedance mismatch.

The negative feedback network was chosen to impart a response characteristic which would compensate for the deficiencies in the speaker, output transformer, baffle, room acoustics and the human ear, at normal room volume.

This latter is quite a problem, as the response curve of the human ear is flat only when the reproduced music is as loud as the original. The more rapidly the volume is reduced, the more rapidly the ear's response to low and high frequencies is reduced.

The high frequency boost may be varied from the panel by a control, which allows 6000 c.p.s. to be varied from flat to plus 15 db. The amplifier circuit (Fig. 2) allows the individual adjustment of the high and low frequencies, and, if it is desired to have bass response also controllable from the front panel, Fig. 2B shows how it is done. The high frequency control has the power switch ganged to it, but if the bass control is added, then, in the interest of symmetry, the power switch could be a separate control. Figs. 1, 3, and 4 show, photographically, the layout and manner of construction.

When the wiring is done, connect the two units, being sure that shielded wire is used to introduce the detector's output to the amplifier. Connect a ten foot piece of wire as an antenna. Turn on the power, and, turning the volume control up, tune in a station. If no station is received, turn the volume control to maximum and vary the trimmers and iron slugs in the coils until the noise level is at a maximum. This will tune up the receiver, roughly. Now, you should be able to tune in a station.

Pick a weak station at the low frequency end of the dial and adjust the iron cores until you obtain maximum volume. It is important that you pick a weak station so that the a.v.c. will be inoperative. If no weak station is available, reduce the antenna size.

When this is done, tune in a weak station at the high frequency end of the dial and adjust the trimmers for maximum volume. Of course, an output meter can be used for this adjustment, in conjunction with a service oscillator, or a vacuum tube voltmeter may be connected to the a.v.c. bus as a maximum indicator.

If you are not able to procure adjustable iron core coils, you can align the receiver by first tuning up at the high frequency end of the band with the trimmers, and then bringing the low frequency end in line by bending the condenser plates on each gang section until maximum sensitivity is obtained. When this is accomplished, sit back and listen to your favorite musical program.

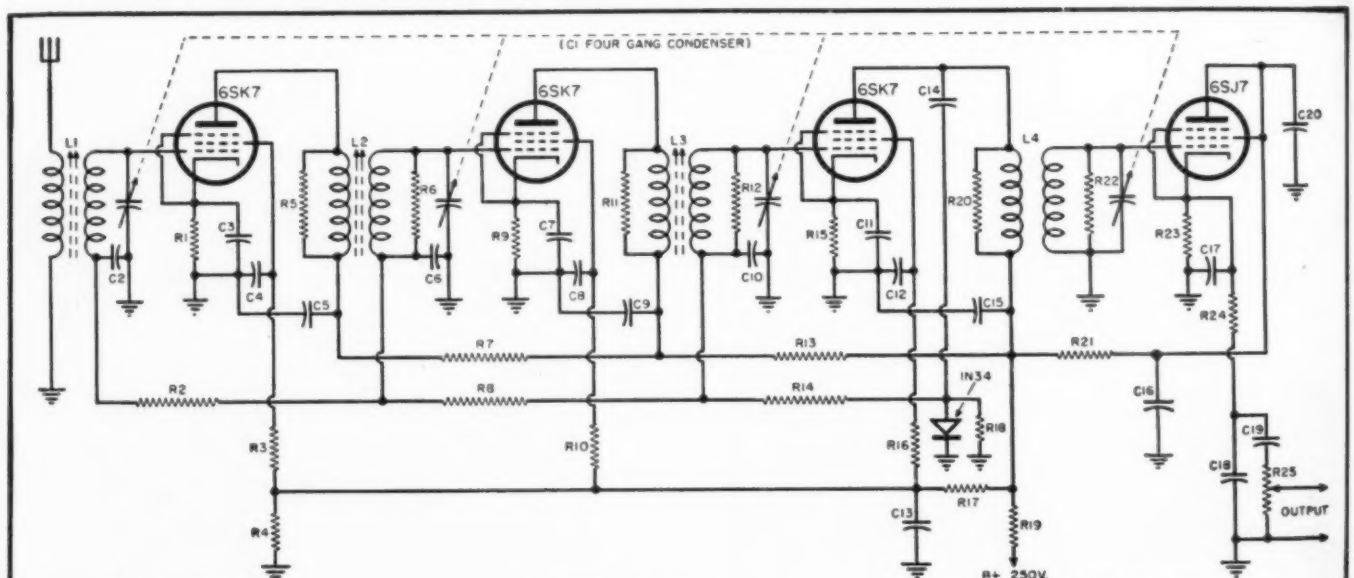
The speaker, of course, can be any size from a 5 inch on up to an 18 inch; the larger, the better. It should be properly baffled, to realize the maximum fidelity from it.

If it is desired to use the amplifier by itself, it will be necessary to mount a .5 or 1 megohm volume control on it, as shown in Fig. 5. If the amplifier is built by itself without the tuner, the volume and both tone controls may be mounted in one long side, constituting a compact 5 watt amplifier.

The combination can be mounted in a cabinet or in the wall, but it would be desirable to keep the speaker and the receiver separated, as the excellent low frequency response might cause a large speaker to vibrate the tuner excessively.

This unit, if connected to a twelve or fifteen inch speaker, will provide real high fidelity from your favorite AM station, and provide an excellent source of program material for recording. It need not cost over twenty-five dollars, including a light duty twelve-inch speaker. All of the parts are readily available. -30-

Fig. 6. Diagram of TRF tuner. A 3-gang variable condenser may be substituted for the 4-gang unit by eliminating one r.f. stage.



R_1, R_9, R_{15}—300 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_2—240,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_3, R_{10}, R_{16}—39,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_4, R_{17}—10,000 ohm, 5 w. wire-wound res.
R_5, R_{11}—43,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_6, R_{12}, R_{23}—56,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_7, R_{13}—18,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_8—220,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_{14}—470,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_{18}—1 megohm, ½ w. res.
R_{19}—10,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_{20}, R_{22}—22,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_{21}—30,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_{24}—62,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
R_{25}—½ megohm pot.
C_1—4-gang var. cond. (See text)
C_2, C_6, C_{10}, C_{19}—.1 µfd., 200 v. cond.
C_3, C_7, C_{11}—.05 µfd., 200 v. cond.
C_4, C_8, C_{12}—.05 µfd., 400 v. cond.
C_5, C_9, C_{13}—.1 µfd., 400 v. cond.
C_{15}—10 µfd., 350 v. elec. cond.
C_{14}—50 µµfd., mica cond.
C_{16}—50 µfd., 350 v. elec. cond.
C_{17}, C_{18}, C_{20}—100 µµfd., mica cond.
L_1, L_2, L_3, L_4—See text
1—1N34 crystal diode
3—6SK7 tubes
1—6SJ7 tube

Possibilities of Home Facsimile

The manufacture of home facsimile equipment will open new sales opportunities for the radio dealer.

By

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Radio Inventions, Inc.



Radio News cover serves as subject copy which is held in place on the scanning drum by a thin celluloid sheet. The copy is progressively scanned by submitting it to a fine beam of light from a photocell exciter lamp. This beam is reflected from the copy to the photoelectric cell, causing the current to vary as the reflected light. Before scanning is begun the operator tests the range of copy shading by means of an electric eye, and then adjusts photocell amplifier accordingly.

FACSIMILE development has opened new avenues of promotion and interest for retailers, servicemen and amateurs.

As a result of technological advances the possibilities of facsimile as a new field for retail merchandising and service seem to be growing into a reality. Recently demonstrated to the technical press, the *Hogan Faximile System* shows promise of becoming a regular service for printing by radio through FM broadcasting.

Inventor of this system is John V. L. Hogan, pioneer in radio and wire communications, who is well known as founder of high fidelity station WQXR in New York. Copy is reproduced by the *Hogan System* at the rate of 28 square inches per minute, which is somewhat better than five times prewar speeds.

In the time required for the usual 15 minute broadcast, four pages of illustrated reference copy can be transmitted by FM radio and reproduced in the home. At the same time, for example, this will permit a 15 minute newscaster on an AM station to accompany his spoken word on an associated FM station with 4000 words of printed text or four pages of maps, diagrams, photographs in any combination of four 9½ x 12" sheets. A format can be selected to permit four-column layouts of standard newspaper size.

Through this system of instant, direct printing, copy is visible immediately as transmitted. It requires no photographic or other finishing process and occupies no more space in a radio console than that now devoted to the conventional phonograph and record-changer unit. In its present form the home recorder can be manufactured as an attachment to any FM home receiver or combined in a single unit with AM, FM and radio-phonograph.

Produced in quantity, the home unit should cost the equivalent of record changer and turntable, which makes it quite possible that the set buyer ultimately will have his choice of facsimile or phonograph, in a combination, at about the same price.

With the increase of facsimile broadcasting there would be another gadget to be sold by the radio dealer as a repeat item, facsimile paper. The *Hogan* recorder holds a 400-foot roll of paper. It is estimated this will be enough paper to last a conservative user of sustained facsimile broadcasting for a full month, and an average user, at least two weeks. At present, a roll manufactured by hand processes in the laboratory costs about $4.00.

By quantity production methods, this may be reduced to be about $1.00 per roll. The more ingenious the fac-

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Facsimile signals, to be reconverted from sound to printing impulses, are received by an FM receiver for staticless reception.



Comparison of the original copy (top photo) with the facsimile print. Reproduction of received copy is exceptionally good.



Low Cost AUDIO OSCILLATOR

By ROBERT W. EHRLICH

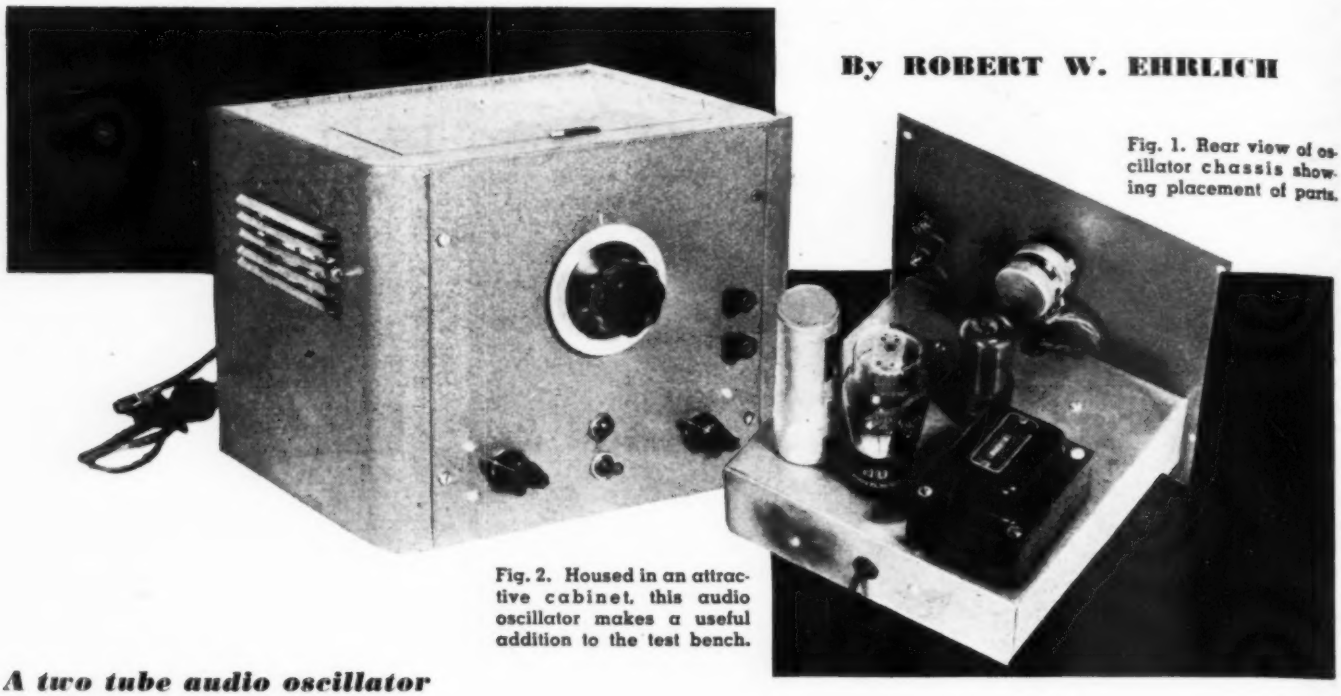


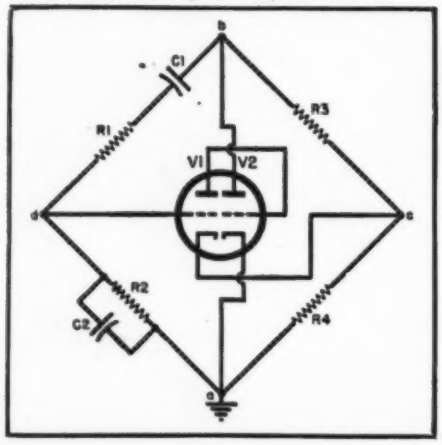
Fig. 1. Rear view of oscillator chassis showing placement of parts.

Fig. 2. Housed in an attractive cabinet, this audio oscillator makes a useful addition to the test bench.

A two tube audio oscillator utilizing resistance tuning which may be built for $10 at present day parts costs.

THE audio oscillator described in this article was designed with the idea of providing the experimenter with a low-cost, easily-built, foolproof test instrument that could provide a good quality audio test signal at any frequency for use in testing receivers, audio amplifiers, modulators, etc. The device fulfills these conditions admirably, at only a small sacrifice of the features that appear on more expensive commercial models.

Fig. 3. Basic Wien Bridge audio oscillator circuit. Feedback takes place from the plate circuit of tube 2 to the grid circuit of tube 1.



As the unit appears in Fig. 2, all parts can be purchased at amateur rates for about $10. It is to be expected, however, that most of the necessary parts will be found in the junk box, thereby lessening the actual cost of construction. In fact, the oscillator lends itself quite well to junk-box production, because none of the parts, with the exception of the tuning potentiometer, are at all critical.

As for performance, the oscillator will deliver an excellent sine-wave signal at frequencies between 100 cycles and 25,000 cycles, with no band changing. The maximum r.m.s. output ranges between ten and twenty volts, with an output impedance of approximately 10,000 ohms. This impedance is low enough so that hum pickup in the output leads is minimized and conventional test prods can be used.

A standard Wien Bridge circuit is used which is basically similar to that used in many commercial audio signal generators, but it contains two important modifications that make for simplicity. One is the use of a two-gang variable potentiometer as the tuning element rather than a large variable capacitor. This not only reduces the expense considerably, but also makes possible a tremendous range of frequencies in one band (over 100 to 1). The sacrifice here is, of course, some loss of accuracy in frequency calibration; however, the majority of applications do not require extremely accurate frequency information.

The other modification is that control of the feedback necessary to sustain oscillations is brought out to the front panel. This makes it unnecessary to undertake any involved alignment procedure when the oscillator is first put into operation. Furthermore additional flexibility is introduced in that it is possible to set the feedback control to produce either a sine wave or a highly distorted pulse wave that might be required for special applications.

The basic Wien Bridge circuit used in this oscillator is shown in Fig. 3. R_1, C_1; R_2, C_2; R_3; and R_4 constitute the bridge circuit through which feedback takes place from the plate of V_2 to the grid circuit of V_1. This bridge is balanced when:

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{R_1 C_1 R_2 C_2}}, \text{ and}$$

$$\frac{C_2}{C_1} = \frac{R_3}{R_4} - \frac{R_1}{R_2}$$

Note that the frequency of balance depends only on values of R_1, R_2, C_1 and C_2, and that a suitable adjustment of the ratio of R_3 to R_4 will bring about a balance at that frequency.

Determination of the conditions necessary for oscillation in the circuit of Fig. 3 is most easily carried out by assuming a voltage between the plate and ground of V_2, and then using vector analysis to determine whether or not the voltage between the cathode and grid of V_1 will be of such a nature as to sustain the assumed voltage. Fig. 7A shows vector relationships in the bridge circuit when it is perfectly balanced. Points *a*, *b*, *c*, and *d* in the vector diagram correspond to similarly

lettered points in Fig. 3. Note that under these conditions, the cathode-grid voltage (*c-d*) on V_1 is zero, and it cannot act to sustain the voltage (*a-b*) between the plate and ground of V_2. Therefore there will be no oscillation.

Fig. 7B shows the vector relationships when circuit values remain the same as those in Fig. 7A, but different frequencies are assumed for the applied voltage *a-b*. As the frequency changes, the junction point (*d*) between the vectors *a-d* and *d-b* moves along the dotted circle, and the cathode-grid voltage takes on the different values shown. Note that at no time is *c-d* at all in phase with the applied voltage, *a-b*. Remembering that two reversals in phase take place between the grid of V_1 and the plate of V_2, it will be realized that *c-d* must have a component in phase with *a-b* to sustain oscillations. Since the feedback is out of phase, and therefore degenerative, oscillations will not take place at any frequency.

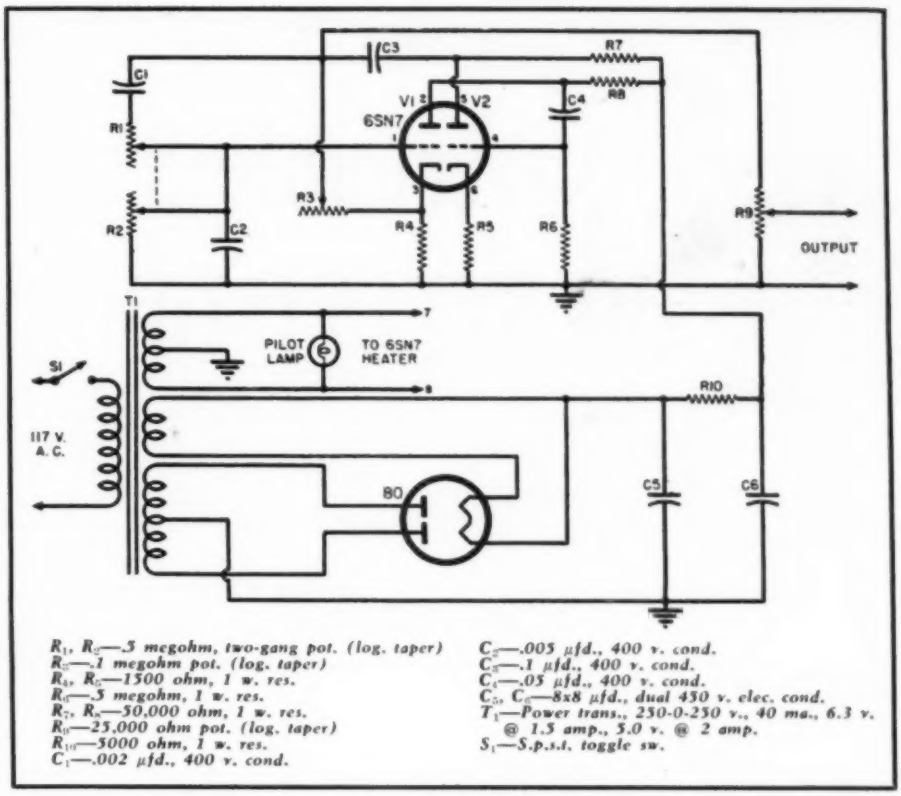
In Fig. 7C, resistor R_3 is slightly smaller than the value required for balance. While there is now some feedback at the balance frequency as well as at other frequencies, it is still degenerative and no oscillations will take place.

In Fig. 7D, resistor R_3 is slightly *larger* than the value required for balance. At frequencies close to the balance frequency (the top of the circle), the vector *c-d* swings around so that it is in phase with *a-b*. When resistor R_3 is adjusted so that the voltage *c-d*, as amplified by the two tubes, is just large enough to equal voltage *a-b*, then oscillations will take place.

The preceding analysis shows two significant features of the Wien Bridge circuit. One is that for any values of R_1, R_2, C_1 and C_2, it is possible to find a setting of R_3 that will just cause the circuit to break into oscillation. The other is that oscillation is limited to frequencies very close to the balance frequency determined by R_1, R_2, C_1 and C_2, and no harmonics thereof; from which result the inherent frequency stability and pure waveform characteristics of this circuit.

The actual circuit of the audio oscillator is shown in Fig. 4. This is the same as the circuit of Fig. 3 with the addition of a power supply and the necessary blocking capacitors for the insertion of the d.c. voltages to the tube sections. In designing the circuit, every effort was made to keep cost down. While a transformerless power supply might be used to shave expenses a little further, it was felt that an isolating transformer was necessary in order to make it possible to connect the oscillator to other apparatus that may or may not be grounded to the a.c. line.

The chassis layout and placement of parts are adequately described in the accompanying pictures and diagrams, and very little need be said. Most of the impedances were purposely kept low to avoid any problems of hum pickup that might be encountered relative to parts placement.



R_1, R_5—.5 megohm, two-gang pot. (log. taper)
R_2—.1 megohm pot. (log. taper)
R_4, R_6—1500 ohm, 1 w. res.
R_8—.5 megohm, 1 w. res.
R_7, R_8—50,000 ohm, 1 w. res.
R_9—25,000 ohm pot. (log. taper)
R_{10}—5000 ohm, 1 w. res.
C_1—.002 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C_2—.005 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C_3—.1 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C_4—.05 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C_5, C_6—8x8 μfd., dual 450 v. elec. cond.
T_1—Power trans., 250-0-250 v., 40 ma., 6.3 v. @ 1.5 amp., 5.0 v. @ 2 amp.
S_1—S.p.s.t. toggle sw.

Fig. 4. Over-all circuit diagram and parts list for the audio oscillator.

Selection of parts to be used is also not very critical. It might be pointed out, however, that it is wise to use resistors and capacitors that are rated considerably higher than the wattages and voltages they will have to stand in order that stability of the unit will not be affected by overheating and breakdown of components.

In selection of potentiometers, it is important to note that they are all of the logarithmic-taper type. This taper is used in conventional volume control units, so it should not be difficult to find the correct parts. It is also important to observe the connections shown in Fig. 5 for the potentiometers. If they were connected incorrectly, calibrations on the main tuning potentiometer would be very crowded near one end, and the setting of the feedback control would be extremely critical. With correct connections, the frequency calibrations space out about equally for every octave (See Fig. 8), and adjustment of feedback can be accomplished smoothly and easily.

It is not so important to use a logarithmic taper for the output control, but it is more convenient. The total

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Fig. 5. Proper connections for potentiometers used in the test oscillator. All potentiometers are of the logarithmic-taper type.

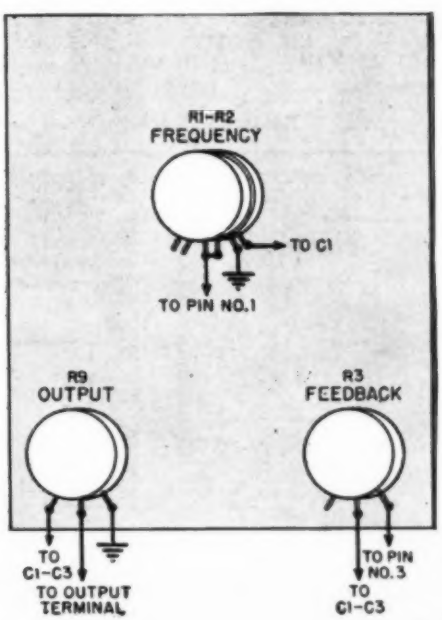
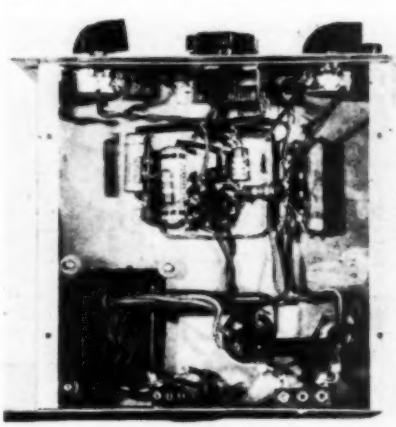


Fig. 6. Bottom view of chassis.



Trouble Shooting the TELEVISION RECEIVER

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Part 16. In this, the concluding article of the series, the author covers some of the servicing problems encountered in television receivers.

TELEVISION receiver trouble-shooting and repair is no more difficult than trouble-shooting a multiband home radio. The radio serviceman must be convinced on two points if he desires to save time and do an efficient and capable service job. One, he must devote more time to studying theory and recommended procedures. Trouble-shooting, in the case of the television receiver, is really servicing by visual observation. Every receiver trouble, except sound channel failure, manifests itself in one form of malfunction of the pattern on the picture tube screen. The ability to interpret these malfunctions quickly and accurately can only come with experience and thorough knowledge of receiver theory. The second factor he must be convinced of is that hit-or-miss or revamping tactics must not be employed. Follow manufacturers' procedures and recommendations closely. When replacing defective parts, use recommended replacements, and in critical circuits, arrange wiring and parts positioning as it was originally.

Troubles can be grouped into three classifications: (1) Signal strength troubles, (2) Spurious signals, and (3) Defective parts.

Signal strength and spurious signal troubles can be corrected or reduced by the serviceman when the receiver is installed. The wise serviceman will adjust and tune each receiver in his own shop before he installs it in the customer's home. In this way, he can be reasonably certain any trouble which appears at the customer's home is an installation defect and not the fault of the receiver.

Some of the troubles he is likely to encounter are:

1. *Weak Signal.* A weak signal will usually occur at the outer extremities of the transmitter range, in congested areas hemmed in by tall buildings, and in valleys or locations isolated by mountainous terrain. The remedy, of course, is to get the antenna higher into the air, use low-loss transmission line, and a more directional antenna. Proper orientation of the antenna is extremely important in such localities. A weak signal produces a faded, noisy presentation on the picture-tube screen. Contrast control has to be advanced almost full on before any picture can be seen.

2. *Strong Signal.* Too strong a signal often occurs in the immediate vicinity of the transmitter. A strong signal gives the picture an over-exposed appearance. Some difficulties with synchronism are also experienced. It would seem logical, therefore, that all we need do is unhook the antenna. However, removing the antenna not only leaves a mismatch in the input circuits, upsetting the receiver input bandpass characteristic, but also leaves the input circuit vulnerable to stray pick-up of noises. The solution to the strong signal problem is the insertion of a resistance pad (carbon resistors between transmission line and antenna input terminals of receiver). The pad still maintains a proper match but increases the signal attenuation.

3. *Noise Pick-up.* Noise pick-up is most troublesome at the outer extremities of the transmitter range or in congested hemmed-in areas. Noise pick-up at these points not only causes an interfering pattern to appear on the screen but, in addition, sharp bursts of noise, such as might come from auto ignition interference, cause momentary loss of synchronism. Another source of noise is diathermy installations which cause a herringbone pattern to appear on the screen. High voltage sparking from trolley cars or electric trains also interfere with picture reception at weak signal points. Here again the solution is to get the antenna high and clear, use well-shielded low-loss transmission line, and properly orient the antenna. Many times the addition of a reflector to the dipole element, which minimizes noise pick-up from the rear, will reduce the interference. The more directive the antenna is (both horizontally and low-angle vertically) the more

Fig. 1. Television receiver divided into sections for convenient trouble-shooting.

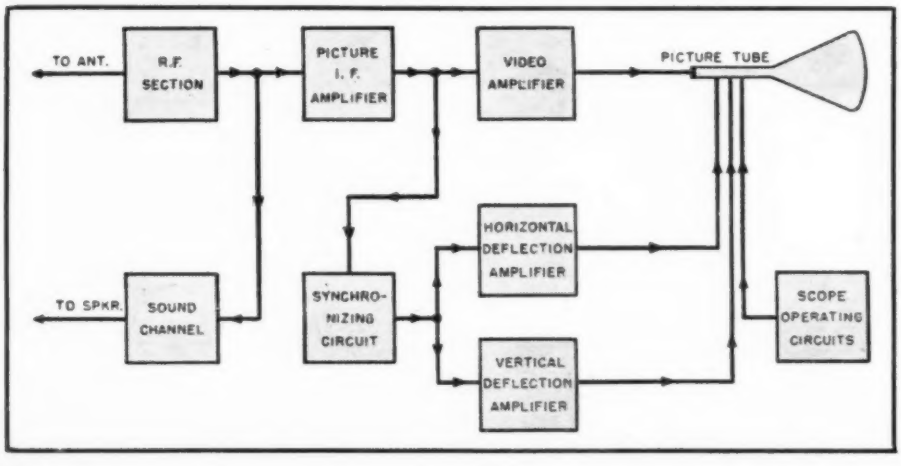


Table 1. Common television receiver faults and possible sources of their origination.

improved the signal-to-noise ratio becomes.

4. *Reflections.* Reflections or ghosts in the presentation (dual images) are caused by multi-path signals. For example, one signal may arrive at the antenna directly, while a second signal will be reflected from a large building some distance past your location. Since signal two arrives some interval after signal one but contains the same information, dual images will appear on the screen. In fact, if the transmission line is not well-shielded and is not properly matched, a signal induced into it will also cause ghosts in the presentation. Again, we have an antenna problem which can be eliminated or reduced by careful antenna planning.

a. Horizontal directivity (uni-directional)
b. Low-angle vertical directivity
c. High and clear as possible
d. Properly matched system
e. Low-loss well-shielded transmission line
f. Position antenna assembly where a minimum of reflections appear. Sometimes shifting the entire assembly only a few feet makes an appreciable difference.

Receiver Troubles

The angle of attack in locating receiver troubles is to first localize the trouble to a specific section of the receiver by visual observation of the scanning raster or, preferably, with the local transmitter on the air, with a test pattern. The better equipped repair shops will possibly have their own monoscope signal generator which will couple a signal into the receiver similar in character to a transmitted signal. Output of this elaborate signal generator contains synchronizing and blanking pulses as well as a picture signal. The monoscope signal generator can also be used to demonstrate television reception to customers when the local stations are not on the air.

Thus, the first step, Fig. 1, in trouble-shooting the receiver is to localize the failure to one of the following sections; r.f. section, sound channel, picture i.f. amplifier, video amplifier, synchronizing circuits, horizontal deflection, vertical deflection, or scope operating circuits. This can be done almost immediately as follows:

1. *Scope Circuits.* If scope circuits are defective the screen will not illuminate or will be very dim with the brightness control full advanced. A breakdown in the high-voltage filter circuits will cause severe hum on the picture (continuous contraction and expansion of raster along with alternate black and white thick bars.

2. *Horizontal Deflection.* A failure in the horizontal deflection circuit is indicated when only a thin vertical line appears on the fluorescent screen or when it is impossible to cover the

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DEFECT	CHECK
PICTURE-TUBE CIRCUITS	
1. No illumination.	a. High-voltage rectifier. b. Resistance of secondary winding of high-voltage transformer. c. Filter capacitors and resistor.
2. Some illumination. Erratic operation of centering, focus, and brightness controls.	a. High-voltage and low-voltage rectifier tubes. In the G.E. HM-171, low voltage supply is also a part of the scope operating circuit. b. Inspect, and check values of high-voltage bleeder resistors which make up the high-voltage divider.
3. Improper operation of any one scope operating control.	a. Resistance and mechanical operation of control. b. Associated bypass capacitors.
4. Improper operation of brightness control.	a. Output of low-voltage power supply. b. Brightness potentiometer and associated bypass capacitor.
5. Weak or no illumination, all other checks normal.	a. Substitute another picture tube.
6. Hum (black and white thick bars) on scanning raster. Continuous contraction and expansion of scanning raster.	a. Filter capacitors of both power supplies. b. Check for low resistance path draining excessive current from supply.
HORIZONTAL DEFLECTION	
1. Thin vertical line on picture tube. No horizontal deflection or inability to sweep entire width of raster.	a. Horizontal saw-tooth generator and horizontal sweep amplifier tubes. Substitute another saw-tooth generator tube as some tubes will not oscillate at this frequency. b. Voltage check horizontal amplifier to locate a defective part.
2. Non-linear deflection in all positions of linearity control as shown on received test chart.	a. Horizontal amplifier tubes. b. Components of linearity network and damping circuit. c. Voltage check amplifier.
3. Inability to lock-in horizontal sync. Vertical lock-in normal.	a. Horizontal saw-tooth generator tube and horizontal sync-amplifier tube, if used. Substitute another tube in saw-tooth generator. b. Check components of frequency determining network. c. Voltage check horizontal sync circuits.
4. Hum (expansion and contraction of raster horizontally).	a. Voltage circuits, looking for open or partially shorted bypass capacitors.
VERTICAL DEFLECTION	
1. Thin horizontal line on picture tube. No vertical deflection or inability to sweep entire height of raster.	a. Vertical saw-tooth generator and vertical sweep amplifier tubes. b. Voltage check vertical amplifier to locate defective part.
2. Non-linear deflection in all positions of linearity control as shown on received test chart.	a. Vertical amplifier tubes. b. Components of linearity network. c. Voltage check vertical amplifier.
3. Inability to lock-in vertical. Horizontal lock-in normal.	a. Vertical saw-tooth generator tube and vertical sync amplifier tube. b. Components of vertical sync amplifier. c. Voltage check sync circuits.
4. Hum (expansion and contraction of raster vertically).	a. Voltage circuits, looking for open or partially shorted bypass capacitor.
SYNCHRONIZING CIRCUIT	
1. Inability to synchronize vertical or horizontal sweep oscillators. Signal strength normal as indicated by wide range of intensities in random pattern appearing on screen.	a. Sync separator and amplifier tubes. b. Voltage check sync circuit.
2. Frequent loss of horizontal and vertical sync. Continuous readjusting of hold control necessary.	a. Sweep oscillator and sync tubes. b. Check component parts, sync circuits, and frequency discharge circuits. Look for overheated or intermittent parts.
R.F. SECTION	
1. No received signal. Sound and picture channels dead. Power circuits normal.	a. R.F. section tubes. Substitute a new oscillator tube. b. Voltage check r.f. section. c. Check component parts. d. Do not touch any alignment adjustments until defect has been found. Alignment in most cases will be normal after trouble has been corrected. e. As a final check, use sweep oscillator and scope to observe bandwidth and alignment.
PICTURE I.F. CHANNEL	
1. No picture signal and sync. Sound channel normal.	a. I.F. amplifier tubes. Substitute a tube known to be good, successively in each stage. b. Locate dead stage by using amplitude modulated signal generator applied stage-by-stage from video detector to converter. c. Voltage check i.f. amplifier. Check transformer windings for continuity. Do not touch alignment adjustments until trouble has been corrected. d. As a final check, use sweep oscillator and oscilloscope to observe response characteristic.
2. Loss of picture definition. Sync normal.	a. Use sweep oscillator and oscilloscope to localize loss of response in r.f., i.f. or video amplifiers. b. Substitute tube. Voltage and resistance check. Do not touch alignment until trouble has been found.
3. Interfering sound (regular pattern on picture tube which varies with sound modulation).	a. Check sound wavetraps.
4. Hum (heavy black bars moving up and down on screen).	a. Voltage and resistance check, looking for open or partially shorted bypass capacitors.

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SUBSCRIPTION-LEASE PLAN

A Merchandising Success Story from Switzerland

A Review By

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ANY radio retailing and service organization in these United States which could boast of more than 400 employees would indeed be considered the miracle organization of the industry, but that is the claim of Radio Steiner located in Switzerland and serving a total population of only 4.2 millions of inhabitants. Here indeed, is a success story which warrants investigation. Back in 1927 no electrically operated sets existed in Europe and people had to be satisfied with local stations which could be tuned in with battery sets and detectors. Power packs suddenly came onto the market and at that point the Steiner concern conceived the "subscription-lease" idea.

Within a year about half the owners of vacuum tube operated receivers in Switzerland had become subscribers. The plan provided these set owners with a power-pack and a rectifier for a monthly fee corresponding to the average monthly expense of operating a five-tube battery set. Provision was made so the subscriber could purchase both pieces of apparatus with 9/10 of the rental already paid at the time of decision to purchase being deducted from the sales price.

The principles of the subscription-lease program were developed during the course of years to apply to all types of receivers.

How Subscription-Lease Works

The subscriber selects the receiver model he wants and the company delivers and installs it. Maintenance is included as a part of the original subscription-lease. For these services, a subscriber is charged a monthly rental fee, amounting to 1/48th of the list price of the set. In addition, the subscriber pays a monthly fee to cover insurance, repairs and risk, varying from 3¼ to 6 francs depending on the model involved.

For each of the first three months, the subscriber pays three times the amount of the monthly rent. From the fourth month onward, the subscriber may break his contract by giving a one-month notice. Note that the minimum proceeds of any single transaction amount to a ten months' fee which is paid in a period of four months.

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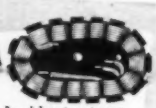


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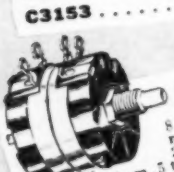
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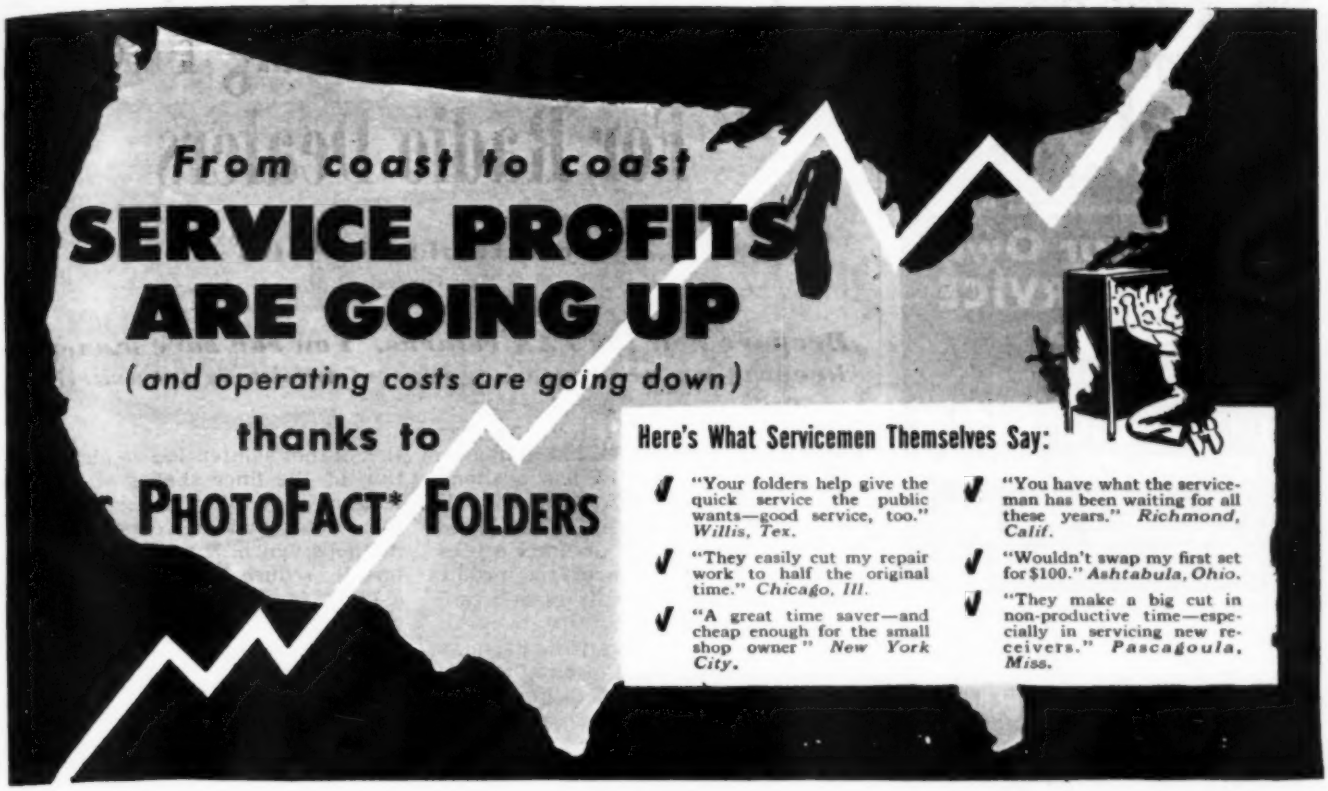
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Income Tax Saving Facts For Radio Dealers

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Prepare now for TAX returns. You can save money by keeping an accurate account of business transactions.

TODAY, every radio and appliance dealer in America has a silent, though exacting, partner in his business. That partner is the United States of America. Four times a year he demands his share of the profits and, on March 15, insists upon a full accounting with prompt payment of any balance due. Even if the business venture proves to be unprofitable, this silent partner insists on being shown before he relinquishes his claim on his active partner.

In spite of this novel arrangement in which the silent partner cannot lose, active partners continue to treat the casting up of accounts upon which the division of profits is based as a minor matter worthy only a few harrassed last hours crowded in before final tax deadline. It is little wonder that, in all too many instances, Uncle Sam gets more profits, called taxes, than, by his own partnership agreement, he is entitled to.

It is the writer's firm conviction that if the average small merchant would hang out a sign "closed to compute income tax" for a week, he would make more money than if he continued to serve his patrons during that period. Many taxpayers too poor to give $100 to war charities, nevertheless pony up $200 or $300 in overpayment of taxes because they "can't find time" to do a thorough job of making out a tax return which truly reflects their financial circumstances. Yet, such oversight on the taxpayer's part may represent as much income as he may make by hard work and careful management in four or five weeks' time.

With 1945 income taxes taking (even in the lowest tax bracket) $23 of every $100 in taxable income, it simply means that of every $100 of overlooked business expense—or personal deductions—to which the taxpayer is rightfully entitled by law, he is being penalized at least $23. Even a $23 saving should warrant more than haphazard application in making an income tax return.

Assuming that most businessmen are now sufficiently versed in the purely mechanical problems of making income tax returns, it is not the purpose of this article to review that aspect of the subject. Rather it is the author's intention to discuss certain of the finer shades of tax problems as they apply to small businessmen and to indicate certain tax-saving methods which, if employed, may materially reduce the income tax paid on a given income, just as such tax-saving methods have been employed for years by taxpayers in the higher tax brackets.

Partly because of labor and material shortages most businessmen throughout the war deferred making needed repairs and improvements to their business properties. In normal times such expenditures would have been made as a matter of course and the costs would have been reflected in income tax returns. Failure to make such needed improvements and repairs—as required—have cost taxpayers dearly in increased income taxes, odd as that may seem. A part of what such taxpayers thought they were saving by deferring such expenditures—because taxable income was increased by that amount—actually slipped through their fingers in the form of higher income taxes.

For example: John Jones, radio dealer, owns the property occupied by his store. Both inside and outside of the building is badly in need of painting. The building should have been painted in 1944; it is still unpainted in early 1946. His income subject to tax is $4,500 in 1945. His tax is $1,105. If, however, he had painted his property in 1945 at a cost of $500, his income subject to tax would have been reduced by that amount and his income tax then would have been only $960, or a tax saving of $145. Note that this $500 comes off of the third surtax bracket of 26 percent (plus 3 percent normal). Stated another way, the net cost of the paint job would have been only $355. In addition, no doubt, he has sustained additional losses by reason of accelerated depreciation of his property due to neglect, as well as loss of trade, because his place is becoming run-down and dingy.

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Assuming that 1946 taxable income will be the same as 1945, taxpayers who have failed to make such improvements and repairs where needed, but who will do so in 1946 are losers by about $3 on the $100, due to the fact that 1946 tax rates are lower by 3 percent in various brackets. It should be observed that if tax rates are again reduced in subsequent years, the longer such improvements and repairs are deferred, the less they will be worth to the taxpayer as tax-savers. The only exception to this rule is where the taxpayer in later years has taxable income in higher brackets than in the past.

Reverting to painting to illustrate. This job, which effects a tax saving in 1945 of $145, if deferred until 1946 would save only $130 on a $4,500 taxable income.

New equipment and fixtures with a shorter useful life than buildings would effect relatively higher savings in taxes. This is aside from greater profits accruing to owners by reason of such installations and improvements.

As depreciation represents a very substantial part of the cost of doing business—and as many taxpayers fail to take any depreciation or forget depreciation on certain items—taxpayers should deliberately take time to prepare an inventory of every last item that is subject to depreciation, regardless of its relative value. Numerous small items will aggregate in value as much as a major item. Such inventory should show date acquired, value at time of acquisition, rate of depreciation, amount of annual depreciation. In addition to providing that all rightful depreciation will be reported in the tax return, such an inventory will prove invaluable in event of a fire involving an insurance adjustment. A duplicate copy of the inventory should be kept off the business premises.

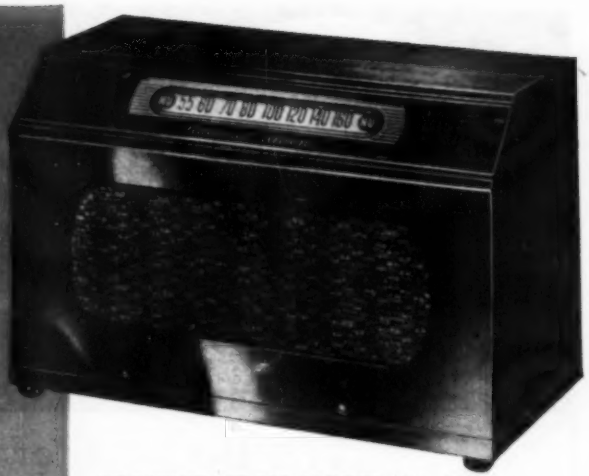
While tax returns provide for a separation of business expenses and personal deductions, the latter may have as profound an effect on the tax computed as the former. Both business expenses and personal deductions determine the owner's take-home compensation from his business.

Thus, the question of whether to use the short form (where the taxpayer's income permits) or to use the long form and report the personal deductions, should not be dismissed without careful thought. The wrong decision costs many taxpayers dearly every year. The same holds true on the long form option of showing deductions or taking the standard deduction of $500, where income is $5,000 or more. If in doubt, the taxpayer should figure his return both ways and compare, using the one giving the greatest tax saving.

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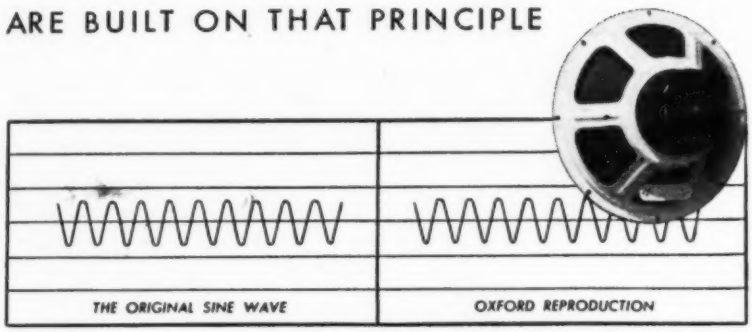


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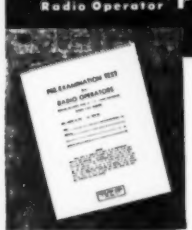
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ference in income tax by use of either method, the taxpayer may still effect savings by showing his deductions, if he anticipates the situation before year-end. This situation arises where the taxpayer, as is frequently the case, owes personal bills which, if paid in the tax period reported, may be taken as personal deductions. This, of course, involves taking a snap account prior to year-end, and it is suggested that taxpayers make a memorandum on this point and keep with their tax papers where, before year-end 1946, they may be reminded of this particular tax-saver.

Let us assume that a taxpayer owes a medical bill of $500 which he let go unpaid until 1946. However, if he had paid this bill by year-end 1945 in time to report in his current 1945 tax return (assuming that otherwise short or long form show about the same tax) he may make a tax saving ranging from $115 upward, depending upon what tax bracket the upper layer of his taxable income is in. The same rule applies to other personal items of a deductible character, which he may elect to pay by year-end, instead of deferring, if by paying his total of personal deductions are boosted above the ten percent allowed by the short form, or by the standard deduction.

Conversely, where payment of such items may not aid him taxwise, he may elect to take the short form or standard allowance for personal deductions, and make such payments on deductible items in the ensuing year when he expects they will bulk large enough to give him a tax saving by use of the long form.

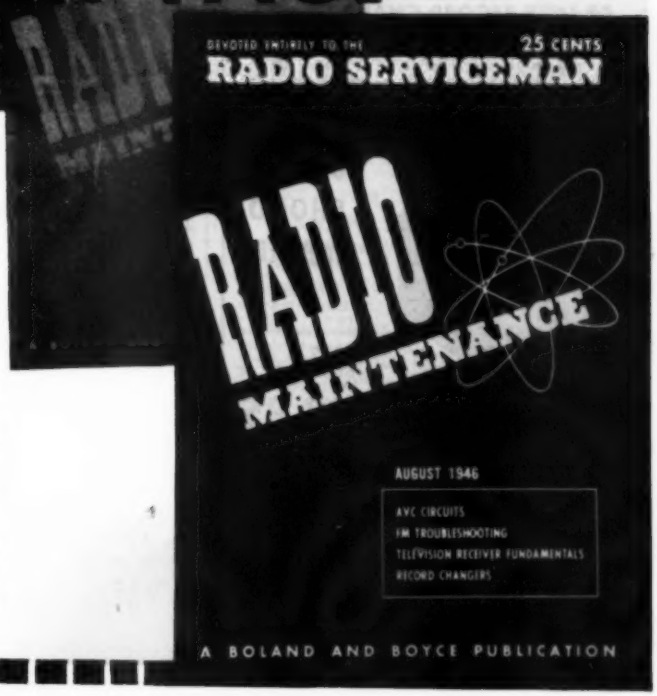
Other deductions of a personal character frequently overlooked include loss from accident, storm, hurricane, fire, flood, etc., to personal property, usually forgotten by the time the income tax is prepared. Such deductions, of course, may be taken only to the extent not covered by insurance. Losses sustained by theft, either cash or property, are also deductible, if not recovered by insurance.

Above all else, no hard and fast rules may be made that apply to all taxpayers in all circumstances. Presented with certain alternatives and choices, what a given taxpayer should do is as individual as is each taxpayer's income tax return. It has been the purpose of this article—showing by illustration—to point out that taxpayers, by becoming tax-conscious as a year-around state of mind, may be able to meet certain situations and make certain decisions with tax-saving considerations in mind and who may, without violating the tax code, effect material tax savings for themselves in the burdensome tax years ahead of us.

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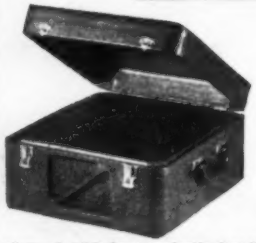
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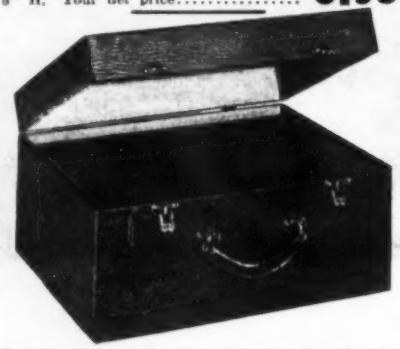
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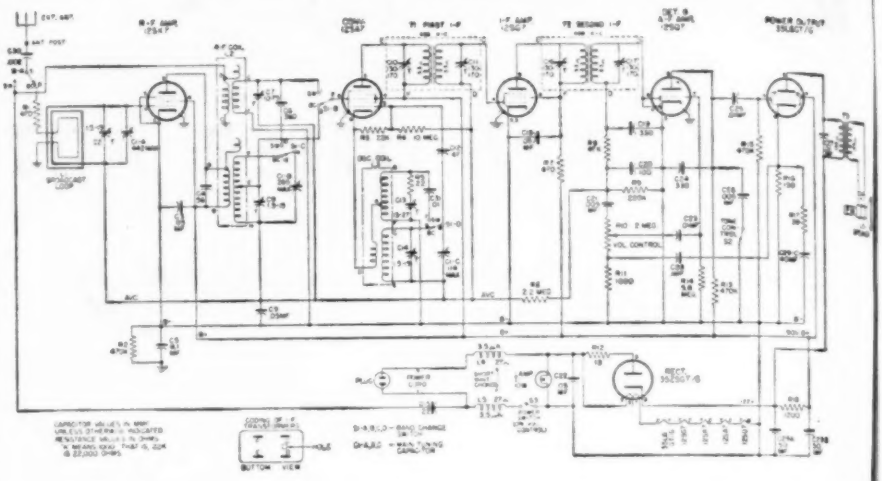
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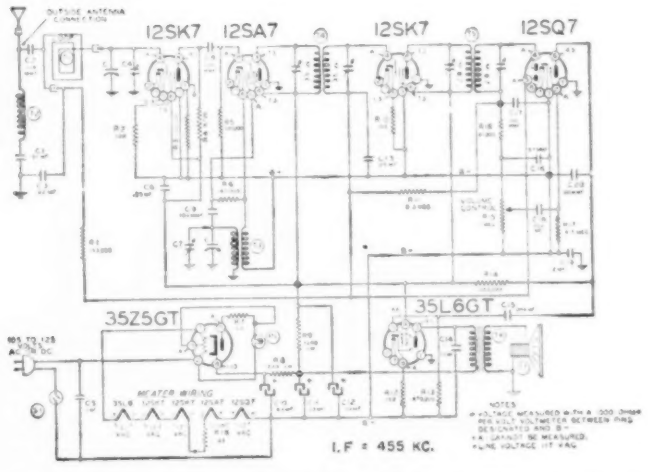
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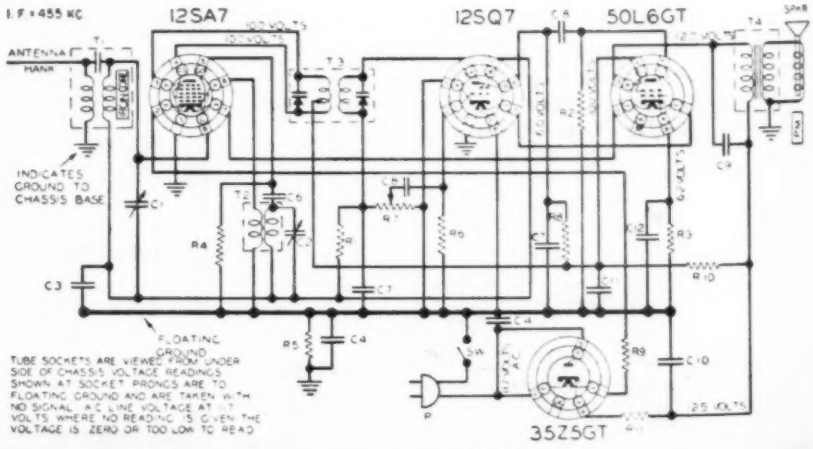
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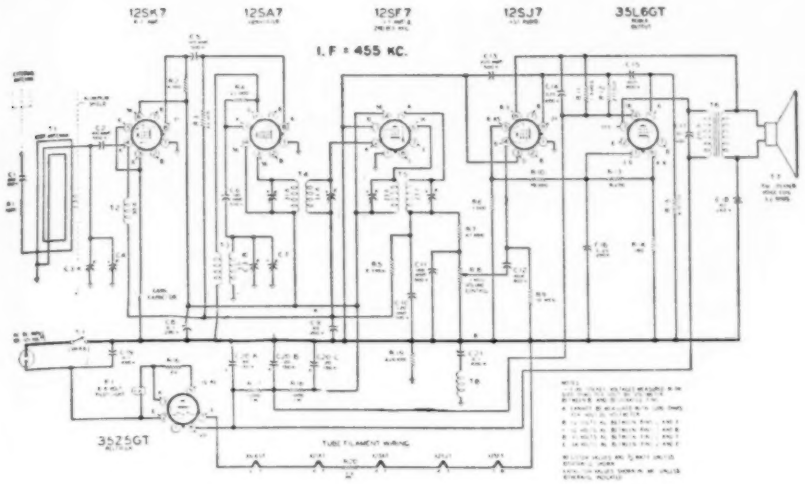


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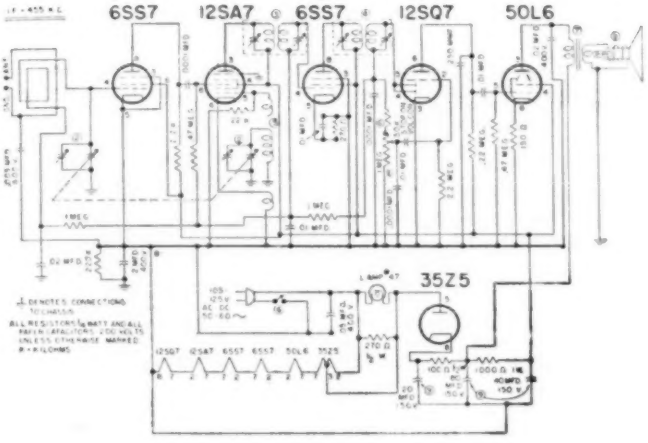


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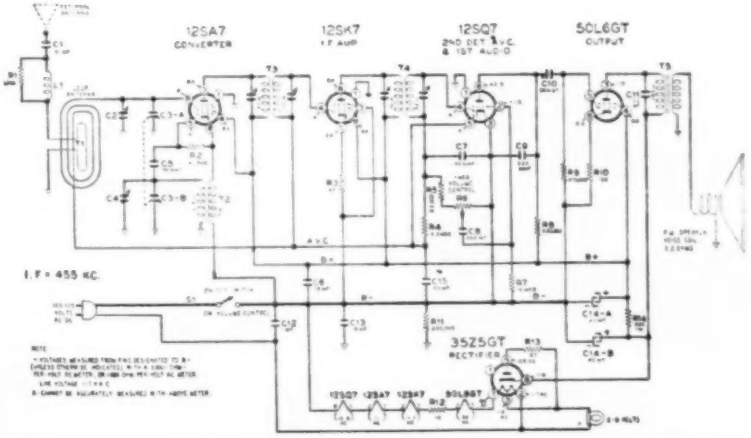
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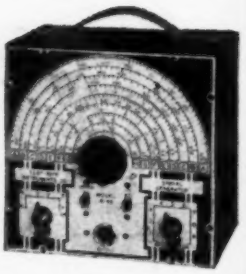
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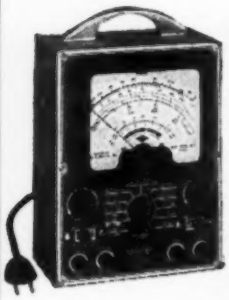
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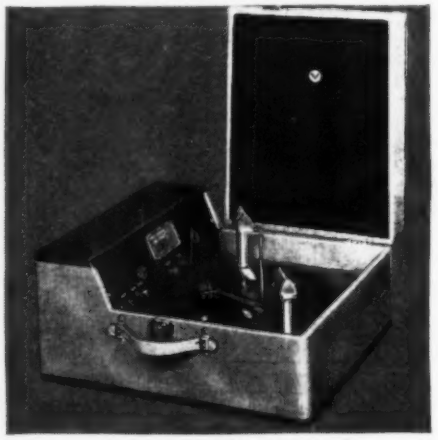
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One of the new combination radio-phonographs to come off the production line at *Viewtone Television & Radio Corporation* is a portable model



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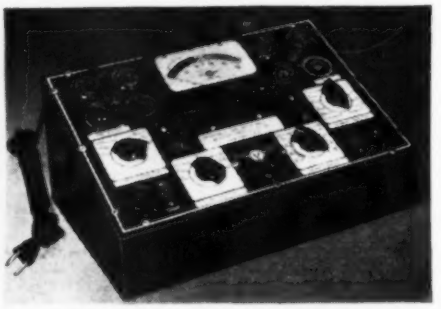
The radio is a five-tube superheterodyne with a.v.c. and a built-in aero loop. The receiver comes in a sturdy, two-tone simulated leather case with lock and key.

Additional information on this combination radio phonograph is available from Charles W. Robbins, national distributor, *Viewtone Television & Radio Corporation*, 81 Willoughby Street, Brooklyn 1, New York.

TUBE TESTER

Radio City Products of New York is currently offering a new tube tester, the Model 322.

A special Dynoptimum circuit permits rapid operation of the instrument with only four controls. This simplicity of operation saves time and reduces obsolescence, according to the manufacturer. Special adaptors are



incorporated in the tester for checking individual sections of multipurpose tubes. A convenient jack is provided for headphone test of noisy, swinging, or high resistance connections.

The tester is available in two types, the Model 322 is open-faced and is housed in a crackle-finish steel cabinet. The Model 322-P is supplied in a black crackle-finish welded metal portable carrying case.

Descriptive material and prices will be furnished by *Radio City Products Company, Inc.*, 127 West 26th Street, New York 1, New York.

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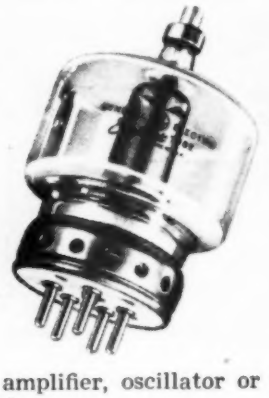
Naken Engineering & Manufacturing Co. of Chicago have recently introduced a pocket-sized continuity tester which houses in one unit all the necessary parts to perform such continuity tests.

The tester consists of a battery, bulb and buzzer with jacks provided for connections and the selection of either bulb or buzzer. The tester may be used in such a way that the self-contained battery is out of the circuit. With this mode of operation the presence of a potential can be detected.

Prices and complete data about this unit will be supplied by *Naken Engineering & Manufacturing Co.*, 25 North Franklin Street, Chicago, Ill.

NEW POWER TETRODE

The Tube Division of *General Electric Company* has announced the production of a new four-electrode transmitting tube, Type GL-5D24 for use



as an amplifier, oscillator or class B modulator.

This tube was designed to provide a basic power tube for FM transmitters. Because of the frequency range that includes the six-meter band, the tube is also applicable in class "C" telegraphy.

Maximum ratings of the GL-5D24 apply up to 85 megacycles. Tests made on the tube show a maximum d.c. plate voltage rating of 3500 volts, a maximum plate input rating of 600 watts and a maximum plate dissipation rating of 200 watts for continuous commercial service. Under intermittent commercial or amateur service conditions the ratings of the d.c. plate voltage, the plate input and the plate dissipation may be increased to 4000 volts, 1000 watts and 250 watts, respectively.

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Simple analogy explains why. Testing of fundamental tube characteristics is like inspection of individual components of multi-ganged tuned circuits. When the tuner is assembled or the tube connected into a circuit, coils and condensers or tube characteristics may not combine properly. Individual variations within tolerances may be in opposition. Operational tests are the only positive checks.

Hytron commercial engineers, therefore, developed functional testers like the illustrated 50L6GT production test kit —essentially a customary equipment circuit. Whether or not a part of the standardized tests, 50L6GT characteristics related to power sensitivity and output are simultaneously checked for smooth dynamic interaction. This comprehensive functional test automatically includes additional minor tests —pertinent but usually omitted from production testing. Hum itself is also measured, because no basic characteristic test controls it adequately.

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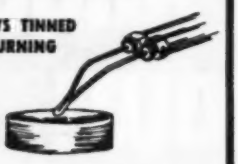
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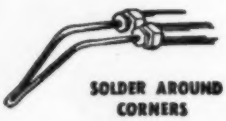
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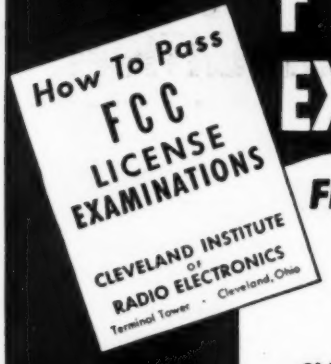
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NEW RECORD CHANGER

The Model 70 automatic record changer has recently been added to the *Webster-Chicago Corporation's* line of production and replacement units.

This unit will play a 1⅛" stack of 10 and 12 inch records intermixed. An



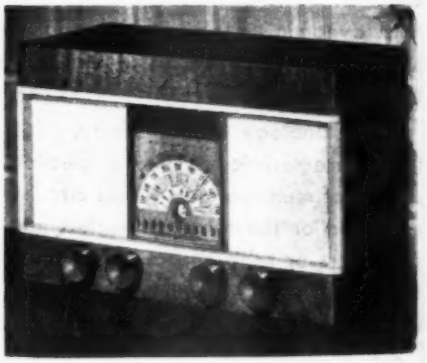
automatic "disengage" device relieves pressure on the rubber drive wheel when the machine is not in use. The Model 70 also includes velocity trip, automatic shut-off, improved rim drive and 4-pole shaded pole motor. The stainless steel spindle is spring cushioned to prevent center hole wear of records.

This model will be available soon through regular distribution channels. Additional data on the Model 70 will be furnished by *Webster-Chicago Corporation*, 5610 Bloomingdale Avenue, Chicago 39, Illinois.

HOME RECEIVER

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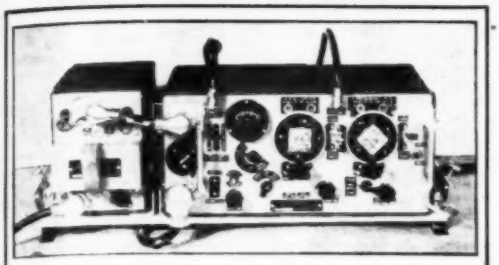
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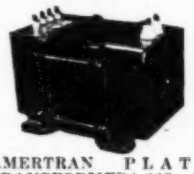
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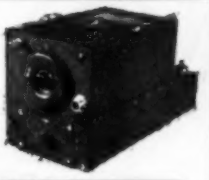
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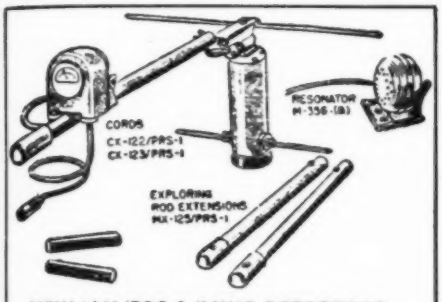
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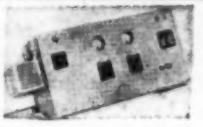
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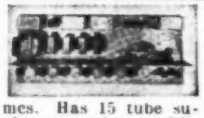
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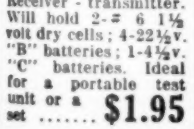
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TRUETONE—MODEL D2616

Part No.	Code and Description
C-9B1-62	R_1—1000 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-70	R_2—4700 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-80	R_3—33,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-78	R_4—22,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-34	R_5—3.3 megohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-64	R_6—1500 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-82	R_7—47,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
A-10A-10642	R_8, S_1—Vol. control and sw.
C-9B1-37	R_9—10 megohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-77	R_{10}—18,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-32	R_{11}—1.5 megohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-91	R_{12}—270,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-73	R_{13}—8200 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-53	R_{14}—180 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-94	R_{15}—470,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-3	R_{16}—22 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B2-63	R_{17}—1200 ohm, 1 w. res.
C-9B2-62	R_{18}—1000 ohm, 1 w. res.
C-9B1-90	R_{19}—220,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B2-44	R_{20}—33 ohm, 1 w. res.
C-8D-10778	C_1—.002 μfd., 600 v. cond.
C-8F3-8	C_2, C_5, C_6, C_{11}—100 μμfd., 500 v. mica cond.
B-8A-10827	C_{3a}, C_{3b}, C_4, C_7—Two-gang cond. assembly including antenna and osc. trimmers. Range of gang: 15-452 μμfd. (ant.) 10-162 μμfd. (osc.)
C-8D-10771	C_8—.1 μfd., 200 v. cond.
C-8D-10770	C_9, C_{18}—.05 μfd., 200 v. cond.
C-8F3-10	C_{10}, C_{13}—220 μμfd., 500 v. mica cond.
C-8D-10788	C_{12}—.004 μfd., 600 v. cond.
C-8D-10997	C_{14}—.025 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C-8D-10935	C_{15}—.005 μfd., 600 v. cond.
C-8D-10775	C_{16}—.25 μfd., 200 v. cond.
C-8D-10761	C_{17}—.01 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C-8D-10760	C_{19}, C_{23}—.1 μfd., 400 v. cond.
A-8C-10077	$C_{20-a, b, c}$—60/40/40 μfd., 150 v. elec. cond. (25 cycles)
A-8C-10946	$C_{20-a, b, c}$—40/20/20 μfd., 150 v. elec. cond. (60 cycles)
C-201-10908	T_1—Loop antenna assembly
A-16A-12161	T_2—R.f. choke coil
A-13D-10661	T_3—Osc. coil
B-13B-10091-1	T_4—Input i.f. trans.
B-13B-10794	T_5—Output i.f. trans.
B-12C-10623	T_6—Output trans. for speaker
B-18A-10647	T_7—6"x4" oval PM speaker
A-16A-10792	T_8—I.f. choke coil

GRANTLINE—MODELS 605, 606

Part No.	Code and Description
C-9B1-26	R_1, R_5—150,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-30	R_2—100 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-70	R_3—4700 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-25	R_4—100,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-82	R_6—47,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-42	R_7—22 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B2-54	R_8—220 ohm, 1 w. res.
C-9B2-63	R_9—1200 ohm, 1 w. res.
C-9B1-52	R_{10}, R_{12}—150 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-34	R_{11}—3.3 megohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-29	R_{13}—470,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-27	R_{14}—220,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
101193	R_{15}, S_1—Vol. control and sw.
C-9B1-23	R_{16}—47,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-35	R_{17}—4.7 megohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B2-44	R_{18}—33 ohm, 1 w. res.
B-8A-10211	C_1, C_4, C_7—Two-gang cond. including antenna & osc. trimmers
C-8D-10761	C_1—.01 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C-8F3-114	C_2—120 μμfd., 500 v. mica cond.
C-8D-10774	C_3, C_{16}—.02 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C-8D-10760	C_5—.1 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C-8D-10775	C_6—.25 μfd., 200 v. cond.
C-8F3-8	C_8, C_9, C_{17}, C_{20}—100 μμfd., 500 v. mica cond.
11994	C_{10}, C_{11}, C_{12}—40/20/20 μfd., 150 v. elec. cond. (60 cycles)
11995	C_{10}, C_{11}, C_{12}—60/40/40 μfd., 150 v. elec. cond. (25 cycles)
C-8D-10770	C_{13}—.05 μfd., 200 v. cond.
C-8D-10788	C_{15}—.004 μfd., 600 v. cond.
C-8F3-6	C_{18}—47 μμfd., 500 v. mica cond.
C-8D-10778	C_{19}—.002 μfd., 600 v. cond.
C-8D-10942	C_{19}—.2 μfd., 400 v. cond.
B-212-11062	T_1, T_2—Loop antenna assembly
A-13D-10215	T_3—Osc. coil
108140G	T_4—Input i.f. coil
108145C	T_5—Output i.f. coil
10595B	T_6—Output trans.
114191B	T_7—5" PM speaker

GENERAL ELECTRIC—MODELS 219, 220, 221

Part No.	Code and Description
URD-041	R_1, R_7—470 ohm, ½ w. res.
URD-113	R_2, R_{15}, R_{18}—470,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
URD-081	R_3—22,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
URD-143	R_4—10 megohm, ½ w. res.
URD-009	R_5—22 ohm, ½ w. res.
URD-129	R_6—2.2 megohm, ½ w. res.
URD-089	R_8—47,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
URD-105	R_9—220,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
RRC-004	R_{10}—2 megohm vol. control
URD-049	R_{11}—1000 ohm, ½ w. res.
URE-007	R_{12}—18 ohm, 1 w. res.
URD-139	R_{14}—5.6 megohm, ½ w. res.
URD-029	R_{16}—150 ohm, ½ w. res.
URD-015	R_{17}—39 ohm, ½ w. res.
URF-051	R_{18}—1200 ohm, 2 w. res.
RCT-004	C_3, C_7, C_8, C_{14}—Main tuning capacitor assembly
RCY-002	C_5—1.5-15 μμfd., trimmer cond.
UCC-045	C_2, C_9, C_{15}, C_{22}—.05 μfd., 600 v. cond.
RCU-053	C_4—56 μμfd., mica cond.
RCC-046	C_5, C_{25}—.1 μfd., 600 v. cond.
RCU-164	C_6—360 μμfd., mica cond.
RCU-110	C_{12}—47 μμfd., mica cond.
RCY-003	C_{13}—13-27 μμfd., trimmer cond.
RCU-108	C_{15}—22 μμfd., mica cond.
RCU-115	C_{19}, C_{24}—330 μμfd., mica cond.
RCU-112	C_{20}—100 μμfd., mica cond.
UCC-039	C_{23}—.005 μfd., 600 v. cond.
RCC-045	C_{26}—.05 μfd., 600 v. cond.
RCC-040	C_{28}, C_{25}, C_{27}, C_{31}—.01 μfd., 600 v. cond.
RCC-004	C_{26}—.005 μfd., 600 v. cond.
RCE-001	C_{29a}, C_{29b}, C_{29c}—50/50/40 μfd., 150/150/25 v. elec. cond.
UCC-036	C_{30}—.002 μfd., 600 v. cond.
RLL-003	L_1—Loop assembly
RLB-001	L_2—R.f. coil
RLC-003	L_3—Osc. coil
RLI-001	L_4, L_5—Power cord choke coil
RTL-001	T_1—First i.f. trans. assembly
RTL-002	T_2—Second i.f. trans. assembly
RTO-003	T_3—Output trans.

GAROD—MODEL 6AU-1

Part No.	Code and Description
1.411	1—Loop assembly
2.163	2—Two-gang var. cond.
1.259	3—First i.f. trans.
1.409	4—Second i.f. trans.
1.402-1	5—Osc. coil
8.200	6—Vol. control & sw.
9.200	7—Output trans.
30.300	8—5" PM speaker
5.400-7	9—80/40/20 μfd., elec. cond.

BELMONT—MODEL 5D126

Part No.	Code and Description
C-9B1-13	R_1—1000 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-82	R_2—47,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-46	R_3—47 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-34	R_4—3.3 megohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-85	R_5—82,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
101198	R_6, S_1—1 megohm vol. control & sw.
C-9B1-37	R_7—10 megohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-27	R_8, R_{11}—220,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-29	R_9—470,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-53	R_{10}—180 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-41	R_{12}—18 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-43	R_{13}—27 ohm, ½ w. res.
C-9B1-64	R_{14}—1500 ohm, 1 w. res.
C-8D-10761	C_1—.01 μfd., 400 v. cond.
B-8A-10754	C_{3a}, C_{3b}, C_2 C_4—Two-gang, including antenna and osc. trimmers. Range of gang: 11-388 μμfd. (ant.) and 8.5-162 μμfd. (osc.)
C-8F3-8	C_5, C_7—100 μμfd., mica cond.
C-8D-10770	C_6, C_{15}—.05 μfd., 200 v. cond.
C-8D-10789	C_8—.002 μfd., 600 v. cond.
C-8F3-10	C_9—220 μμfd., mica cond.
C-8D-10788	C_{10}—.004 μfd., 600 v. cond.
C-8D-10774	C_{13}—.02 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C-8D-10760	C_{17}—.1 μfd., 400 v. cond.
C-8D-10953	C_{18}—.15 μfd., 400 v. cond.
11992	C_{14a}, C_{14b}—40/20 μfd., 150 v. elec. cond. (60 cycles)
11993	C_{14a}, C_{14b}—60/40 μfd., 150 v. elec. cond. (25 cycles)
12311	L_1—Load coil
C-212-10895	T_1—Loop ant. assembly
A-13D-10748	T_2—Osc. coil
B-13B-10091	T_3—Input i.f. transformer
B-13B-10812	T_4—Output i.f. transformer
B-12C-10735	T_5—Output transformer

ARVIN RADIO—MODELS 444, 444A

Part No.	Code and Description
	R_1—4.7 megohm, ¼ w. res.
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	R_3—150 ohm, ¼ w. res.
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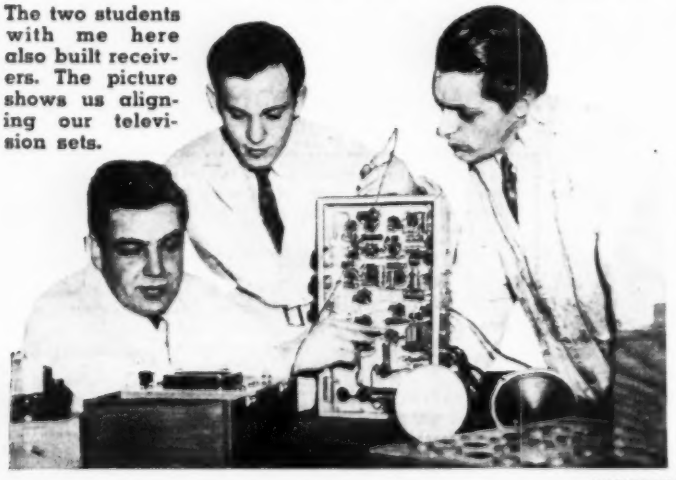


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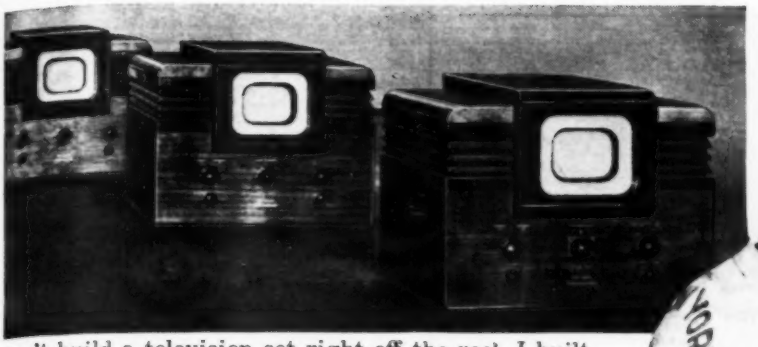
NOT very long ago, television was a complete mystery to me. But not only did I build a complete television receiver chassis—I had a lot of fun doing it. And I've learned so much in a practical way that I'm well on the road to becoming an expert. In a few years from now I'll be able to "write my own ticket."



The two students with me here also built receivers. The picture shows us aligning our television sets.

I always had a yen to get into television, even while I was still in the service. But I didn't know just how to go about it—until I heard about the N.Y.T.I. of N.J. I went there with my discharge papers, and they did the rest. They showed me how the Veterans Administration would pay up to $500 a year against my total educational expenses, under the G. I. Bill of Rights. This meant that I had to pay very little out of my own pocket. It's a big break for veterans like myself—especially when you get subsistence allowances in addition. And part-time jobs are easy to get so you can earn extra money. I held a job all the time I was in school. Of course, all of the students here aren't veterans.

What bothered me at first, was that my mathematics was kind of rusty. It had been some years since I had got out of high school. I soon found that the school had brush-up courses in math and even had facilities for teaching radio math from the beginning to students who had never had the advantage of a high school education. I convinced them that I was sincere and enthusiastic and that I was technically inclined, and so I became a student. Then the fun began. You know, you just



Here is a line of RCA television receivers that I and my fellow students use for comparative test purposes at N.Y.T.I. of N.J. The very latest equipment in television is ours to inspect and study at the school.

can't build a television set right off the reel. I built seven radio sets and had to go through a total of 75 practical electronic experiments, before they would even let me start on a television receiver.

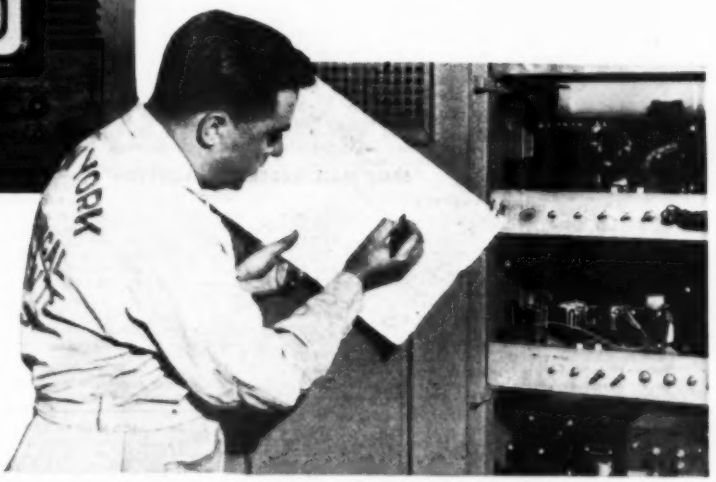
Then I began work in earnest. The instructors around here have plenty on the ball, and it was amazing how fast I progressed. I can't go into all the details here, but I turned out the swell television set you see in the photo. I look mighty proud of myself, don't I? I guess I am.

Boy, school was never like this. You should see the magnificent equipment. Finest in the world! There's a swell gang here—all interested in learning—all radio bugs. They come from all over, because practical television schools are hard to find, and the N.Y.T.I. of N.J. has a wonderful rep when it comes to television. You should see the image-orthicon television camera tube they have here at the school. Imagine a little tube that costs $795! The school cooperates in every way—I don't believe that you can find better training anywhere.

Another thing I like about the N.Y.T.I. of N.J. (which stands for the New York Technical Institute of New Jersey) is the convenient location. It's right in the *heart* of America's electronic industry, (Newark, N. J.), only 19 minutes from New York City. It's close to everything. Big radio, television and electronics manufacturers are nearby—like RCA, General Electric, Western Electric, DuMont, and Edison. So are the big network stations like WJZ, WEAF, WABC, and WOR. This means that the school is always right in touch with the latest developments in radio and television.

The conditions here are really ideal. They have thousands and thousands of dollars worth of the latest types of equipment. In fact, I estimate that each student uses $3,500 worth of experimental and test equipment. And there is a great deal of individual instruction. Classes are small and the instructors really know their business.

I am sure there are a lot of young fellows, particularly veterans, (I was discharged because of disability), who want to get into this field. I understand there are about 120 openings for new day students in the classes beginning this November and December. If you want to get the complete dope about the school, you can have a free bulletin, which illustrates and describes its facilities and equipment; it also tells the classes that may be attended, housing conditions, costs, hours, etc. There is no charge for this bulletin. Just drop a postcard and ask for Bulletin 111. Send your postcard or letter to the New York Technical Institute of New Jersey, 158 Market Street, Newark, N. J.



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A19176	T_1—*Antenna coil* T_2—*Oscillator coil* T_3—*I.f. coil* T_4—*Output transformer*
AC18255-1	
AC18256-1	
AC18157-1	
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Converting the SCR-522

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slides, as well as the crystal switch, are disengaged. The crystal switch is then removed by loosening the screws which hold it in place, and cutting the leads to the switch. The crystal socket is also removed.

The three relays may either be removed or left in place. In any event, it will be necessary to disconnect the relay coils as these are meant to be operated on d.c.

An 8¾" by 19" Masonite panel is used to remount the transmitter. Holes should be drilled to line up with the condenser shafts and the meter switch shaft.

The shafts of the tuning condensers are 5/32" in diameter. This is an awkward dimension for coupling to a standard ¼" shaft. The couplings used were taken from some short lengths of flexible shafting, with the end that formerly held the flexible shafting drilled out to fit the condenser shafts. A felt washer was placed between each knob and the panel to furnish a slight amount of friction and prevent the tuning adjustments being disturbed.

The gain control is relocated on a line with the condenser shafts, just below and to the left of the meter. The gain control is replaced by a standard unit.

The panel is fastened to the transmitter chassis by means of 10-32 machine screws and spacers made from ¼" copper tubing, 1¼" in length. These screws are fastened in the holes formerly occupied by the red painted screws, used to join the transmitter and rack.

Jacks are provided along the lower edge of the panel for microphone and key. The microphone jack is connected to terminals number 1 and 2 on plug 123-1. The keying jack, a closed-circuit type, is connected in series with the ground end of the cathode resistor of the 6SS7 speech tube.

A single-pole, double-throw toggle switch is mounted between the microphone jack and the meter switch, to permit the choice of phone or i.c.w. The leads which now go to the relay number 131 are rewired to this switch. These leads are respectively; the one to the grid of the 6SS7 through the resistor 153-4, which is rewired to the center arm of the switch, the lead

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from the gain control, and the one from the junction of resistors 140-4 and 142. Shielded wire should be used for these connections.

Toggle switches are also provided to control the filament and plate supply. The socket for the crystals is remounted on the front panel, and the crystal oscillator rewired for only one crystal. Examination of the circuit diagram furnished with the unit will show how this is accomplished.

The antenna output connector, now in an inaccessible place behind the front panel, is replaced by a conventional coax connector mounted on the rear of the chassis. A terminal strip is also mounted on the rear of the chassis to permit the power supply to be connected.

Power requirements for this unit are 300 volts at 200 ma.; 12.6 volts at 2.35 a.; and 150 volts for bias. Normally this would require two supplies in addition to the heater requirements, but by using a single high voltage supply and grounding a point on the voltage divider, both positive voltage for the plates and negative voltage for the bias supply are available. A suitable supply is diagrammed in Fig. 2. The voltages under load with the components given are, 320 volts for the plates and 160 volts for bias. The power transformer used is one nominally rated to give 500 volts d.c. A dual filament transformer which supplied 5 volts at 3 amps. for the rectifier as well as 6.3 volts was used in conjunction with an additional 6.3 volt transformer to meet the heater requirements. Care should be taken in connecting these two transformers to insure that the 6.3 volt windings add to, and do not oppose, each other. A voltmeter will enable the proper connection to be determined with no difficulty. The entire power unit is built on a 10″ by 12″ by 3″ metal chassis.

To enable metering of the various circuits, a metering circuit with the necessary shunts is built into the transmitter. This circuit is designed for use with a 1 ma. meter. No information is given in the instruction manual as to the internal resistance of this meter, but from the tests made, it is probably of the 100 ohm type. This meter should be connected to the two pins provided alongside the meter switch.

There are six positions provided on this meter switch with only the first five used. Position 1 indicates the plate current of the 12A6 harmonic amplifier, with the meter indicating 50 ma., full scale, in this position. Position 2 meters the plate of the 832 tripler and has a full scale range of 100 ma. Position 3 meters the plate and screen of the final as well as the screen of the tripler, with a full scale reading of 100 ma. Position 4 reads the rectified current of the r.f. diode, the full scale reading in this case being 1 ma. The fifth position measures the grid current of the final with the full scale reading being 2 ma.

The meter should be checked on one

of its ranges by means of a 0-100 ma. meter connected in series with the circuit being metered. Probably the easiest circuit to check is that of the 832 tripler plate. The connection which feeds the "B plus" to the tank circuit of this tube may be found just inside the compartment which houses the final amplifier tube. This connection should be unsoldered and the external meter placed in series with the line.

Comparison of the two readings should now be made. It is probable that the one mil meter will read high. If this is the case, resistance must be added in series with it to bring the reading down to agree with the test meter.

It is only necessary to check the meter on one position of the switch, as once adjusted to the correct reading, the shunts for other positions will be correct.

For appearances sake, nameplates were made up and placed adjacent to the various controls.

When conversion has been completed, the transmitter should be tested by picking a crystal suitable for the final frequency desired, and applying power. The meter switch should be placed in position 1, where it reads the plate current of the 12A6 harmonic amplifier. The oscillator tuning condenser should be tuned for maximum reading on the meter. With the meter switch in position 2, the operation should be repeated, this time tuning the 12A6 plate condenser. The same procedure is followed on position 3, tuning the plate condenser of the 832 tripler. The plate condenser of the 832 final should then be tuned for a dip with the meter switch in position 3.

If the tuning procedure has been properly carried out, all the tuning controls will be in approximately the same position. Any great variation in the position of these tuning controls is an indication that the wrong harmonic has probably been picked.

With the transmitter properly tuned, the antenna may be connected, and the antenna coupling adjusted for proper loading of the final amplifier. This should result in a meter reading of approximately .63 ma. with the meter switch in position 3.

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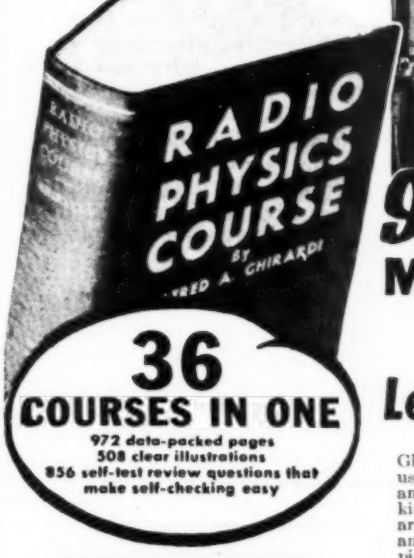
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2. Maximum attainable linearity of useful portion (linear sweep);
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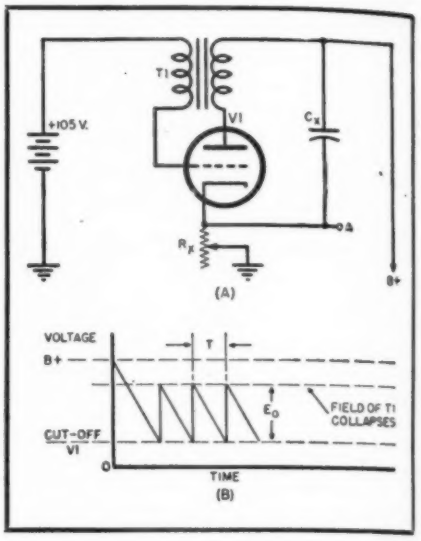
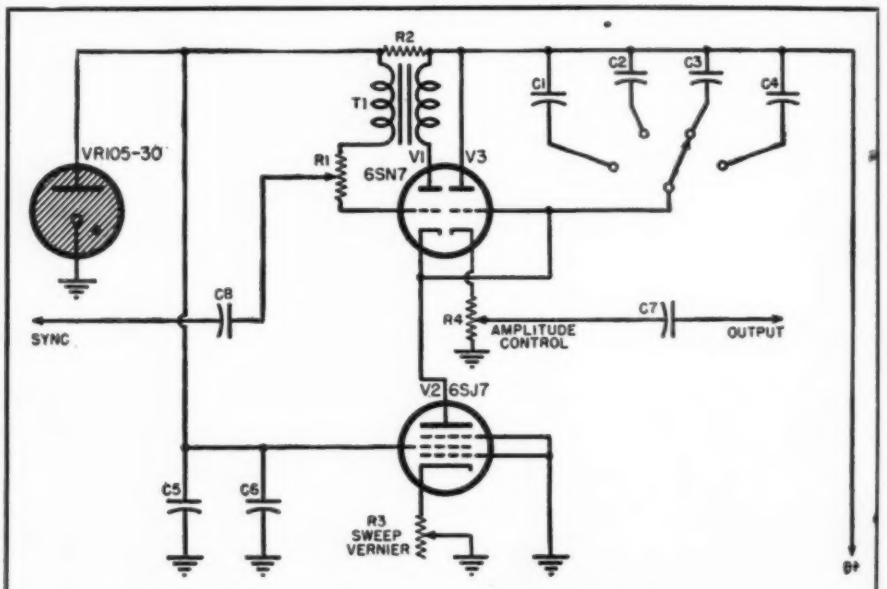


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Fig. 1



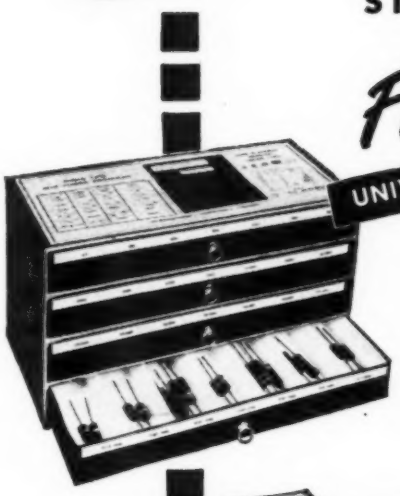
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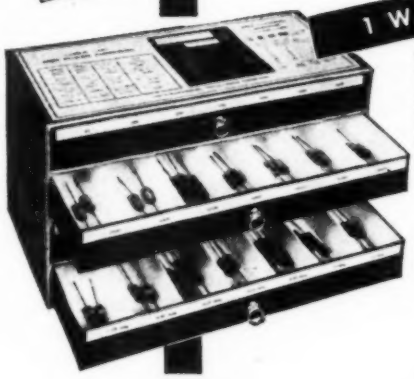
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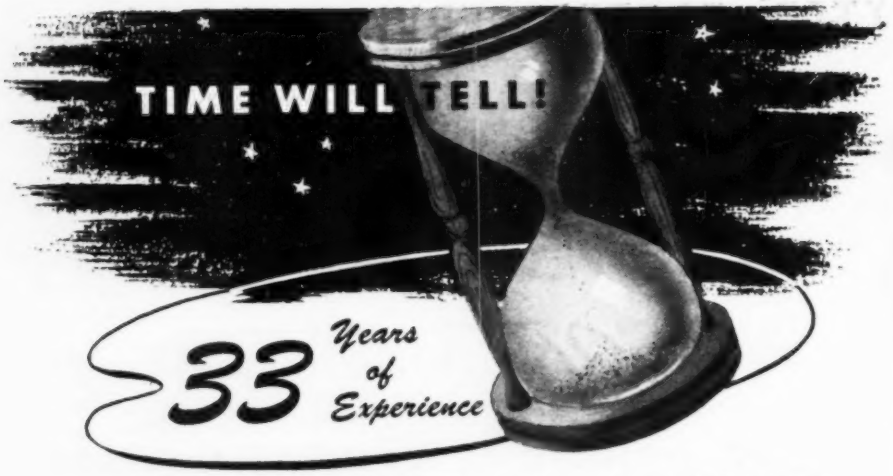


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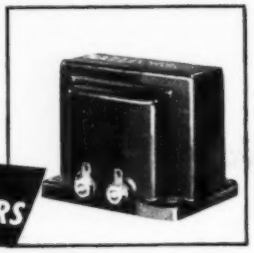


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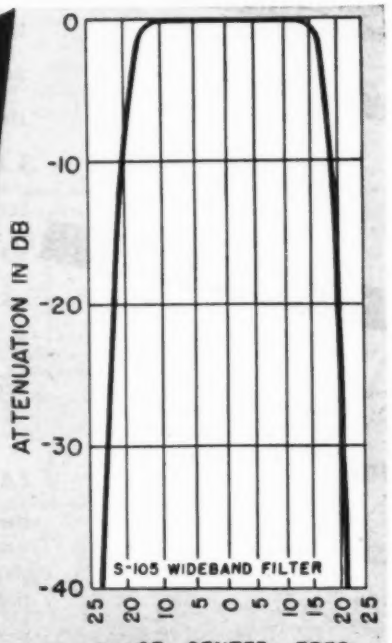


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The action is as follows:

Assume "B" plus is momentarily disconnected, and the filaments of V_1 lighted. Then, the charge on C_x is zero, and no current is flowing in the circuit. If we connect "B" plus, the condenser still has zero charge at the first instant, but the cathode of V_1 is at *"B" plus*. Since the grid is at +105 volts, the tube is cut off. Current flows through R_x to *charge* C_x. Since a constant current flows through R_x (due to E_p/I_p characteristics of the pentode when E_p is greater than E_{sg}), the voltage at point A will fall at a *linear* rate from "B" plus to the voltage corresponding to the cut-off bias of the triode. Assume triode cut-off to be 15 volts. Then, when voltage at point A has fallen to a value equal to "B"+ minus (the grid voltage +15 v.), the triode conducts. (Note: E_x the voltage across C_x, equals "B"+ minus the cut-off voltage of the tube—increasing "B"+ increases the voltage amplitude at the output). When the triode conducts, plate current flow causes the grid of the tube to be driven positive due to transformer action (regenerative feed-back), which causes the plate current to increase, driving the tube to saturation, provided the constants of the circuit are properly chosen.



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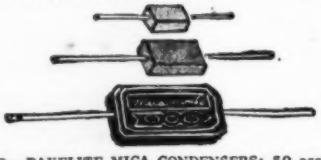
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When C_x is discharged, the cathode of V_1 will again be at, or near, "B" plus, and V_1 goes to cut-off. Plate current cannot flow until C_x is charged again, a time determined by R_x. Since R_x is continuously variable, the charge rate of C_x may be varied, and the output frequency of the circuit will be varied in inverse ratio.

Inspection will show that (roughly) f_o will be $1/R_xC_x$, or, more exactly, f_o will be $2I_{Rx}/CE$, indicating that with CE constant, f_o is proportional to I_{Rx}, the charge current of C_x.

Fly-back time depends on two factors:

1. The size of C_x. Since $Q = CE$, where Q = coulombs, then $T = CE/2I$, E being constant and approximately equal to "B"+ minus E_{cutoff}; and I being saturation current of triode;
2. The resonant frequency of T_1. The rate at which I_p of the triode increases to saturation value is a function of the inductance and distributed capacity of the windings. Since the resonant frequency of this combination may be made very high, from two to ten megacycles, this will not affect the *low* frequency output of the sweep circuit, but will tend to limit the upper frequency to approximately one to two megacycles with good waveforms—this is *not* a guess, for we have produced excellent waveforms with a ratio of I_{dis}/I_{ch} of about 15, at a frequency of one mc.

On the other hand, the low frequency output is limited by the fact that as C_x gets larger, the charge time does become in the order of 1 second or more, which is one cycle or less, but note that as $T = CE/2I$ becomes very long, I_{dis}/I_{ch} is also very large, which means that the tube must conduct in the order of *amperes* or the field about the transformer will have collapsed, allowing the tube to go to cutoff before C_x is fully discharged, lowering the available sweep amplitude, although it will *still* be constant with any given size of C_x as R_x is varied.

With a value of 4 μfd. at C_x, sweep waveforms of 150 volts amplitude have been obtained with a frequency of .2 cycles per second, or about 5 seconds-per-sweep.

T_1 must have very tight coupling (powdered iron core preferably) and small physical size. A slight step-up ratio in the plate-to-grid winding is desirable, although too much will limit high frequency because it is not easy to get a high enough resonant frequency in T_1.

In the unit constructed, T_1 was a special transformer with the following specifications:

Primary: 140 turns, No. 32 enameled wire, wound on laminated iron core, ½ on each leg, core size ½" x ½" x 1" high.

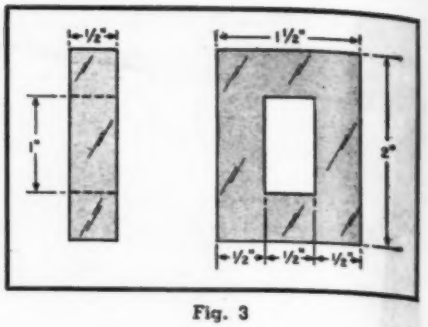


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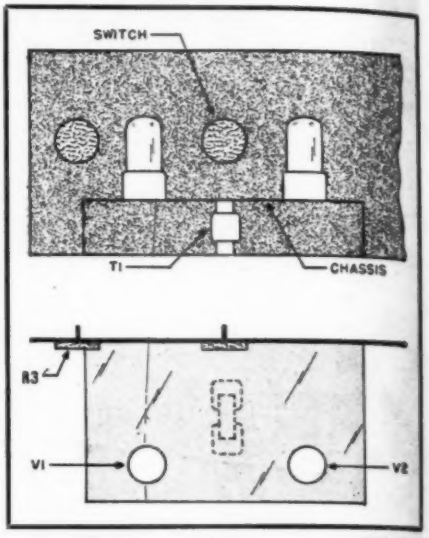


Fig. 4

Secondary: 140 turns No. 32 enameled wire, wound on laminated iron core, ½ on each leg on top of primary.

Core: Finest laminations that can be secured, to make ½" x ½" x 1" stack, shell type winding. (See Fig. 3.)

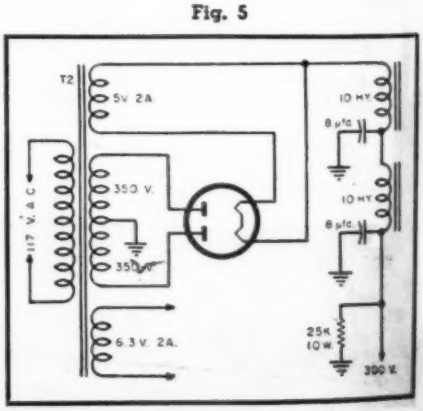
A transformer was also tried, wound on a conventional powdered iron, slug-type antenna coil form, consisting of:

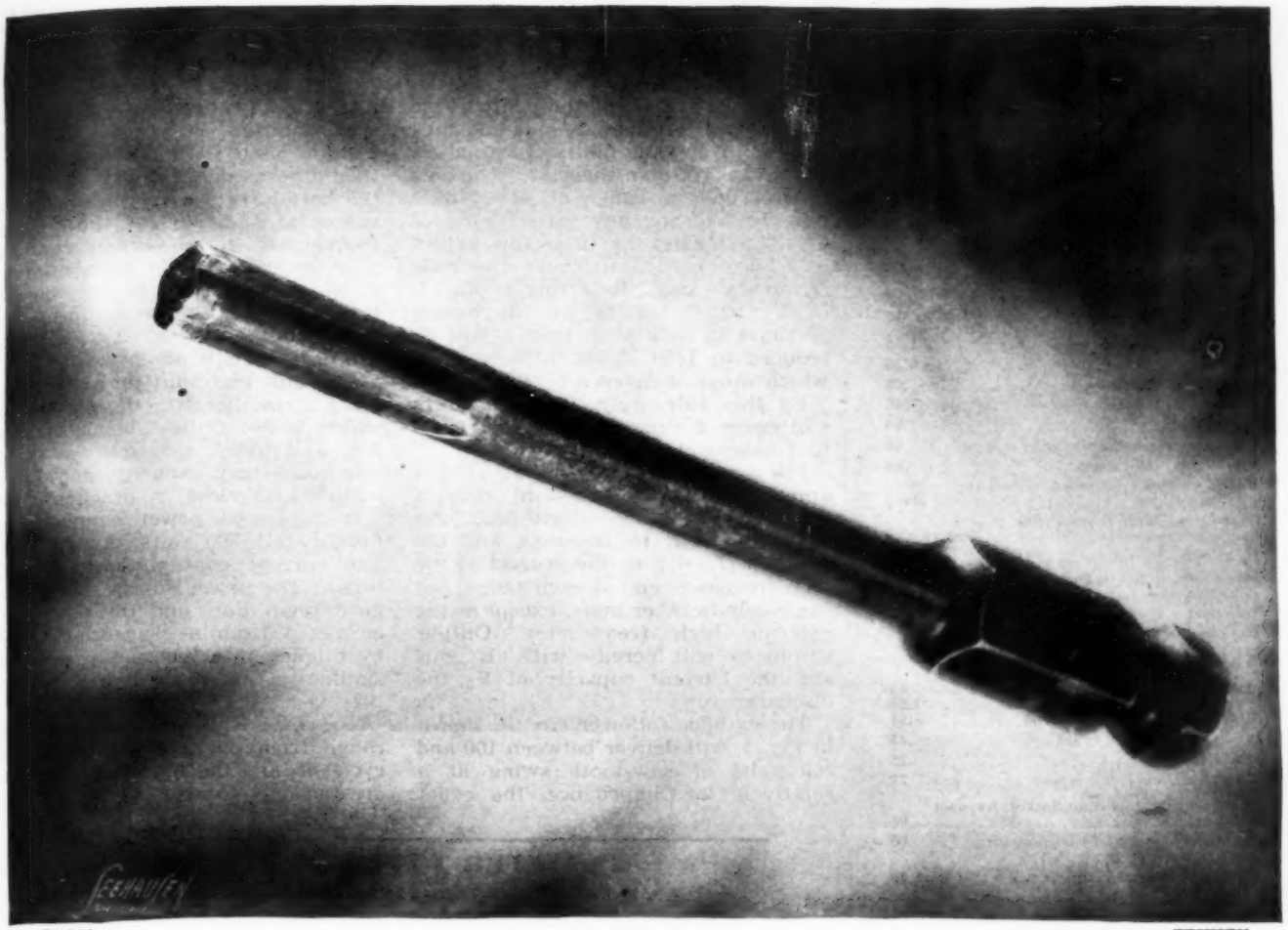
Primary: 2 layers, total turns, 100, of No. 30 enameled wire, wound approximately ½" long x ⅜" diameter.

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Fig. 5





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By this rule, only five condensers will cover a range exceeding 1 cycle to 1 megacycle.

For any given size of C_x, the output amplitude will be constant over a frequency range of about 50/1, fly-back time will be constant, and the ratio I_{dis}/I_{ch} will be the poorest at the high frequency end of each range, but can easily be 50 or more, except at the extreme high frequencies. Output amplitude will increase with "B" plus and the current capacity of V_1, the discharge tube.

The cathode follower circuit, shown in Fig. 1, will deliver between 100 and 200 volts of saw-tooth swing at a relatively low impedance, the exact voltage will depend on "B+" and the size of the sweep condenser, being slightly less for larger condenser.

The linearity is best at high values of I_p of the pentode, but will depend on the insulation resistance of the capacitor used. Oil filled condensers should be used, the better the quality, the better the waveform at very low values of I_p of V_2 (at the very low frequencies, R_x, the variable resistance represented by the d.c. plate resistance of the pentode, will be very high, on the order of ten megohms in practice, the discharge current of C_x will be in the order of microamperes).

The unit was built up as the sweep for a 2" oscilloscope, the parts layout which is not critical being shown in Fig. 4. A bakelite chassis was used to minimize stray capacity, and T_1 was mounted as close as practical to V_1.

A suggested power supply is approximately 300 volts, d.c. with very low current consumption (about 12 mils). The power supply should have good regulation, and the power may be taken from a conventional scope by tapping into the supply, or a unit similar to that diagrammed in Fig. 5 may be used.

To cover the complete frequency range from one cycle to one megacycle, R_1 and the four position switch are the only controls needed.

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This latter method is generally unsatisfactory as it lowers the output of the FM tuner and, in addition, requires a very sensitive zero center meter in order to obtain good positive and negative voltage deflection.

The circuit shown eliminates the use of an expensive zero center microammeter and does not reduce the output from the FM tuner.

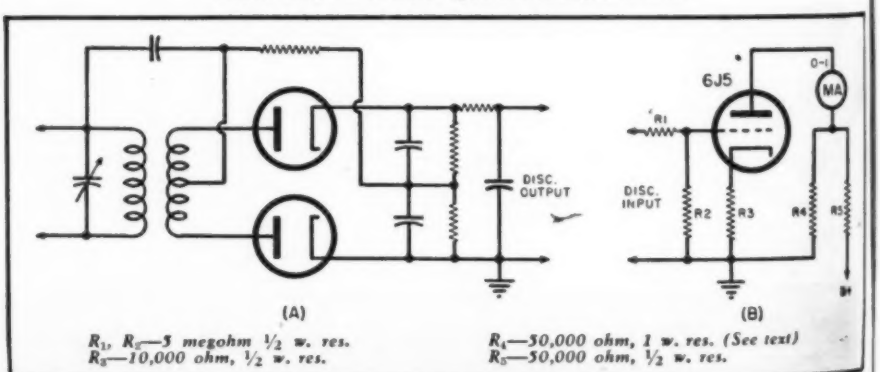
The circuit is essentially a high impedance input vacuum tube voltmeter, adjusted by varying values of R_4 to read half scale on receiver background noise (off station hiss).

By varying this value a zero center is automatically provided (point of zero voltage) therefore, when the receiver is tuned through an FM carrier, the meter will indicate both positive and negative voltage swings, the amount (assuming a reasonably sensitive meter is used, such as 0-1 or 0-5 milliammeter) depending mostly on amplification of the tube used. A glance at the circuit will show that this unit can be separately constructed and attached to any FM receiver.

By using this type of tuning indicator, it is possible to tune in an FM carrier with the greatest of ease.

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Circuit diagram of meter type FM tuning indicator.



R_1, R_2—5 megohm ½ w. res.
R_3—10,000 ohm, ½ w. res.
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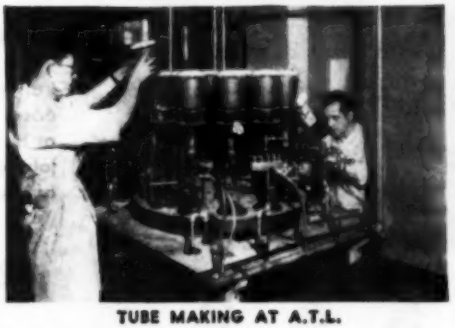
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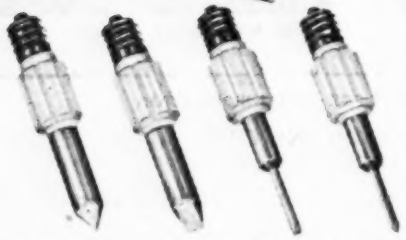
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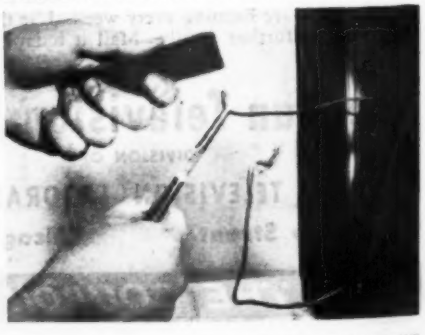
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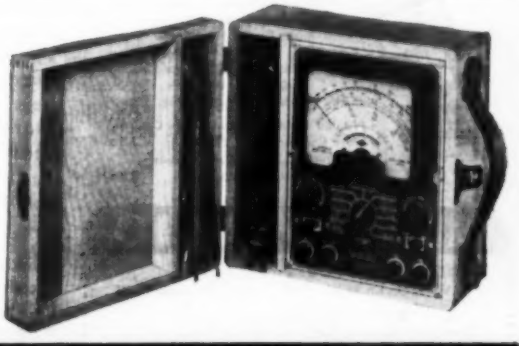
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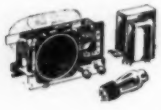
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10-METER VERTICAL COAXIAL ANTENNA

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Construction details for fabricating a concentric, vertical antenna for use at very-high frequencies.

THE long-awaited opening of the ten-meter amateur band found the author in need of an antenna which could be depended upon to give the maximum in performance on the following counts:

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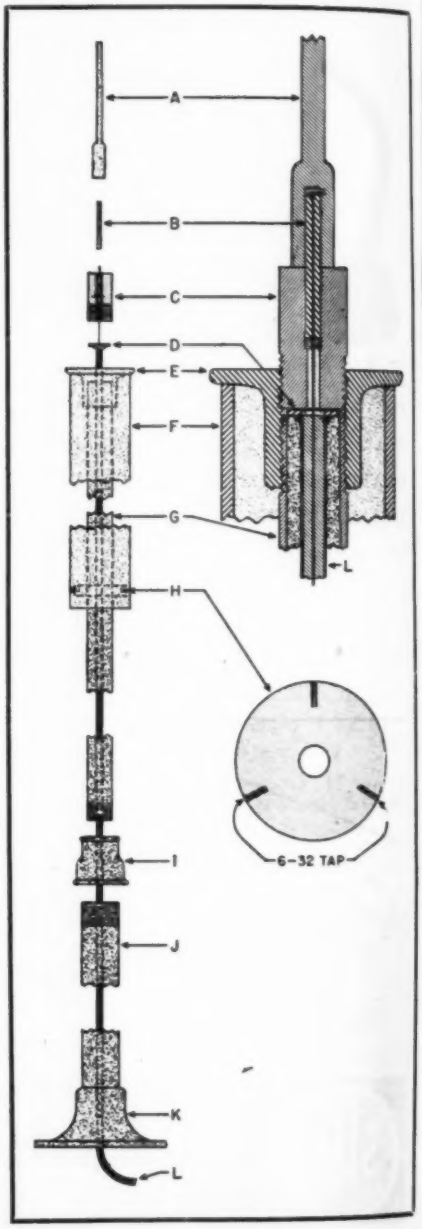
After working for the past four or five years with commercial and military radio, the author was fortunately able to pick an antenna design on the basis of proven performance under practically all conditions. The design chosen was that of the coaxial, or concentric, vertical antenna, widely used in v.h.f. work.

Due to the method of feed and mount, this type of vertical antenna operates in a highly efficient manner. Briefly, the usual drawback of vertical antennas is the feed method employed. Use of an open line to the "J" type of vertical results very often in a quite serious distortion of the vertical directivity pattern, causing the major radiation lobe to assume an angle so high that optimum efficiency is virtually impossible.

The above named defect, in conjunction with the distorted pattern caused by proximity to the mounting structure, rules the "J" out. The widely used horizontal doublet was rejected because of the practically vertical radiation of a great deal of wasted power, as well as the more or less directional effect in a broadside plane. This left the "Brown ground-plane vertical" and the "vertical coax" to be considered.

The ground-plane vertical is an excellent performer but has one serious drawback to the average ham, namely, impedance matching. The resistance of this antenna is roughly 21 ohms, a value requiring more or less complicated design. The vertical coax, on the other hand, can be fed with a 70 or 50 ohm feeder directly, with about equal results.

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Construction details for 10-meter vertical coaxial antenna. (A) "whip" auto antenna, (B) brass stud ¼"-20, thread drilled lengthwise with #40 drill, (C) insulator tapped ¼"-20 inside and threaded with ¾" pipe die on lower end, (D) brass washer, (E) brass floor flange, (F) brass tubing, (G) ¾" galvanized pipe, (H) doughnut insulator, (I), ¾"-1" bell reducer, (J) 1" galvanized pipe, (K) 4" galvanized flange for 1" pipe, (L) either 50 or 70 ohm coaxial feeder cable.

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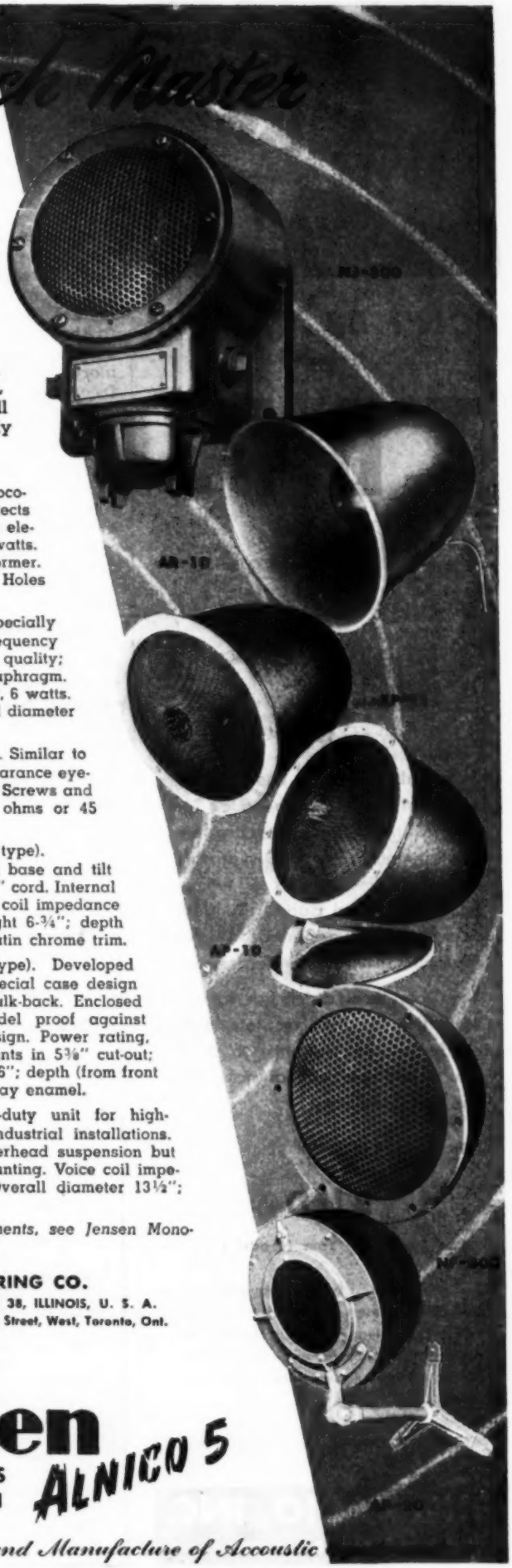


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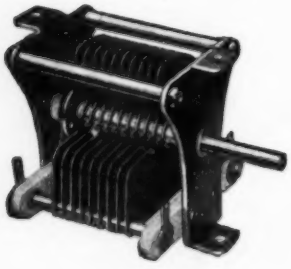
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Length of upper section (the whip) equals freq. in mc. divided into 235.6

Length of lower section (the skirt) equals freq. in mc. divided into 243.3

For convenience, a list of the proper lengths for every 100 kc. in the ten-meter band is given below. Due to the high "Q," or sharpness of resonance, operation is not advisable more than 100 kc. from the optimum frequency.

Seamless brass tubing is to be preferred on several counts for the "skirt," but copper, aluminum, dural, steel tube conduit and galvanized pipe are all acceptable—results being practically the same if a good job is done in constructing the antenna.

Referring to the constructional drawing (A) is the whip; (B) is the ¼"-20 brass screw, drilled lengthwise with a No. 40 drill; (C) is the insulator (plexiglass, bakelite, etc.); (D) is the brass washer, ½" i.d., ⅞" o.d.; (E) is the 2½" brass floor flange, tapped for ¾" pipe; (F) is the 2½" thinwall brass tubing; (G) is a ten-foot section of ¾" pipe; (H) is a "doughnut" insulator of plexiglass, lucite, etc.; (I) is a ¾"-1" bell reducer; (J) is a ten-foot section of 1" pipe; (K) is a 4" galvanized floor flange, tapped for 1" pipe; (L) is 50 or 70 ohm coaxial feeder.

Vertical coaxial antenna element lengths for the ten-meter band.

28.1 mc.—	Whip equals 8' 7⅞"
	Skirt equals 8' 4⅝"
28.2 mc.—	Whip equals 8' 7½"
	Skirt equals 8' 4¼"
28.3 mc.—	Whip equals 8' 7 3/16"
	Skirt equals 8' 3⅞"
28.4 mc.—	Whip equals 8' 6 13/16"
	Skirt equals 8' 3 9/16"
28.5 mc.—	Whip equals 8' 6 7/16"
	Skirt equals 8' 3 3/16"
28.6 mc.—	Whip equals 8' 6 1/16"
	Skirt equals 8' 2 13/16"
28.7 mc.—	Whip equals 8' 5¾"
	Skirt equals 8' 2½"
28.8 mc.—	Whip equals 8' 5⅜"
	Skirt equals 8' 2 3/16"
28.9 mc.—	Whip equals 8' 5"
	Skirt equals 8' 1 13/16"
29. mc.—	Whip equals 8' 4 11/16"
	Skirt equals 8' 1 7/16"
29.1 mc.—	Whip equals 8' 4 5/16"
	Skirt equals 8' 1⅛"
29.2 mc.—	Whip equals 8' 4"
	Skirt equals 8' 13/16"
29.3 mc.—	Whip equals 8' 3⅝"
	Skirt equals 8' ½".
29.4 mc.—	Whip equals 8' 3 5/16"
	Skirt equals 8' ⅛"
29.5 mc.—	Whip equals 8' 2 15/16"
	Skirt equals 7' 11 13/16"
29.6 mc.—	Whip equals 8' 2⅝"
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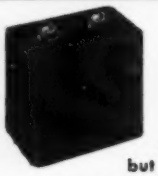
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Table 1. Partial list of stations worked. Practically all districts in U.S. give Q5R9 reports, with many commenting on FB signal from the 60-watt rig used at W6RTP. Many of the DX stations worked were from CQ's and reception on a homemade super with the antenna is as good as the transmitting reports.

Any garage or similar place equipped for brazing can do the job of brazing the flange (E) to the skirt (F), at small cost, after which (A) and (F) cut to the formula given, the insulator (C) is tapped and drilled for the screw (B), and threaded for an inch on one end with a ¾" pipe die; the washer (D) is carefully soldered to the outer conductor of (L), of which some three inches of the inner conductor and insulating material have been left above the trimmed-off outer conductor. With the section of pipe (G) slipped up through the bottom of skirt (F) and screwed firmly into flange (E), the feeder (L) is slipped down through the assembly from the top, with the washer (D) coming to rest against the end of the pipe (G), a half inch or so below the surface of flange (E). Next screw the ¼"-20 screw (B) into the insulator (C), which in turn screws into the upper half of flange (E), jamming washer (D) firmly between it and the pipe section (G), insuring a good connection for the outer conductor of feeder (L). The upper end of the inner conductor of (L) will fit nicely through the No. 40 hole previously drilled through screw (B)—trim the wire flush and solder to the screw, completing the feeder connection. Screw whip (A) onto the inch or so of the screw (B) left above the insulator (C), fit the lower section of pipe (J), with the bell reducer (I), onto the ¾" pipe (G), fit flange (K) on the bottom of the 1" pipe, and your antenna is complete. Couple to the final tank coil with a one or two turn link and you're ready for ground wave; short skip; long skip; north, south, east and west, with an equally strong signal.

The complete cost of the antenna as built by the author was under $8.00, including a quart of aluminum paint, and six hours of work. See Table 1 for an idea of what to expect from your vertical coaxial.

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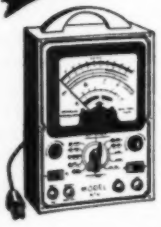
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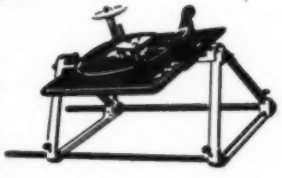
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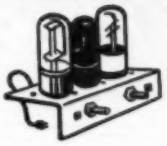
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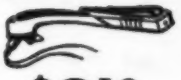


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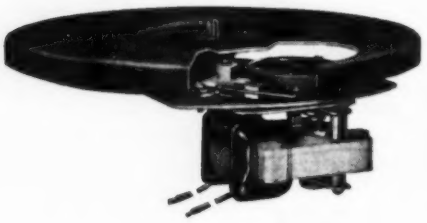
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C. H. Hartwell
Chicago, Illinois

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"IN READING the "Letters From Our Readers" column in your September issue, I noted the comments made by Mr. Roger Harris of Los Angeles and those added by you, covering the proposed issuance of class D licenses to interested persons capable of passing theory exams, but lacking the required code proficiency demanded by class A, B and C amateur licenses.

"In my opinion your comments failed to cover the proposal completely for several reasons. Among these are the following:

"First, and most important, the generosity of the FCC has provided the ham with 7 bands above the 200 mc. proposed minimum and these are, I'm certain you will agree, pitifully unmanned today. The amateur must show some activity on these "very high" and "super high" frequencies if he hopes to retain them.

"Most of the amateurs now holding A, B and C licenses, with many exceptions, I'll agree, have pioneered the 160, 80, 40, 20, 10 and 5 meter bands and these bands are "home" to them. The "rush" to occupy the shorter wavelengths hasn't been much more than a slow crawl.

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"Second, the funds with which the FCC amateur section operates are provided by all citizens and the amateur is expected to provide public services either directly or indirectly. An example of indirect service is the fact that the necessary equipment for the class D licenses will provide jobs in the radio industry and thus help to raise our standard of living.

"Increased demand will necessitate improved high frequency equipment and manufacturing techniques, thereby providing an abundance of high, ultra-high and super-high frequency equipment at tremendously lowered prices. You will certainly agree that the new FM and television equipment needs just a "little" such aid! We will all benefit, class A, B, C and private citizens alike from increased demand resulting from the class D ham.

"Third, I think anyone interested in operating above 200 mc. has plenty of the experimenter in his blood.

"For the record, my license is class A."

James R. Wilburn, W3KYH/4
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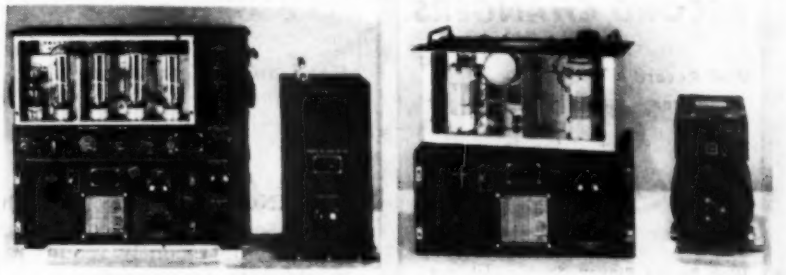
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This beautifully constructed receiver was designed especially for Signal Corps communication service, and is one of the finest and most sensitive sets ever manufactured. Operating from 110V 60 cycles, this set has two tuned RF stages, tuned converter and oscillator, **five** IF stages, using iron-core IF's, a diode detector, tuning eye, and a two stage amplifier that will drive a speaker or phones. The frequency range is 158-210 Mcs.

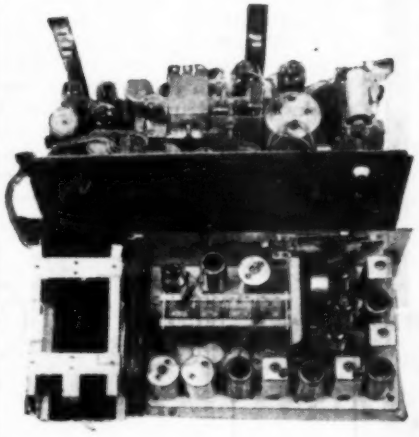
It is a simple matter to operate on other bands by making a slight alteration in the tuning coils. A complete set of tubes is included with each receiver, along with a circuit diagram and parts list. The high-voltage power supply delivers 150 milliamperes, and is well filtered by a heavy-duty choke and three 7 Mfd. oil-filled condensers. This buy of a life-time cost the government about $700. Amateurs and experimenters will never again be able to purchase fine equipment at such a tremendous saving!

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SCR-284 Transmitter-Receiver



Made to be used in Army jeeps and trucks, as well as in the field, or as a headquarters set, the SCR-284 is particularly adaptable for all amateur, experimental, marine, aircraft, police, and mobile applications.

The receiver is a 7-tube superheterodyne, featuring an RF stage, four double-tuned 455 KC iron-core IF transformers, two audio stages, a beat frequency oscillator for CW reception, and is powerful enough to operate a large size speaker. The transmitter employs a calibrated crystal oscillator, a buffer amplifier, and a pair of RK-75 tubes in the final amplifier stage. The speech amplifier and modulator will operate with any ordinary mike, or for $2.75, we can include a Signal Corps mike, complete with "press to talk" switch. A built-in antenna tuning circuit, including an RF ammeter, will match the transmitter to any length of antenna. The transmitter plates are supplied by a 500 volt, 160 MA dynamotor which operates from either a 6 or 12 volt automobile battery. The transmitter output is 25 watts, and operates on both phone and CW. The frequency range is 3760-5825 KC. Operation on other bands may be facilitated by the use of plug-in coils. Circuit diagrams and operating instructions are furnished.

These sets are specially priced at $39.95, complete with set of 13 tubes and crystal. The dynamotor, which must be used, if it is not desired to use 110V AC, is $15 additional. Where a compact and dependable medium power unit is desired, this set is unbeatable!

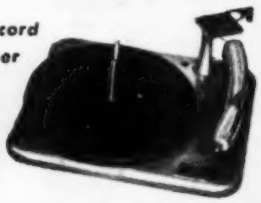
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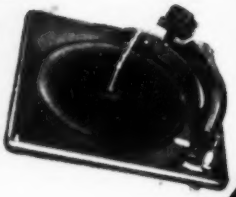


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"I read your magazine thoroughly and marvel at the wealth of information it contains, but somehow seemingly small problems like the one above seldom find attention and therefore a solution."

D. W. Baird
Ashland, Wisconsin

Have any of our readers a practical and simple solution to Mr. Baird's problem?

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A RATHER BIG ORDER

"SINCE many new men, thru war service, have acquired an interest in radio recently (count me in), I would like to suggest an ambitious, helpful undertaking for you. Most of these new 'radio men' want to build (and can use the experience) radio, sound and test electronic equipment. Only having recently become acquainted with your magazine, we, then, have missed many good articles you've no doubt printed in the past.

"I would like to see reprints, in pamphlet or booklet form, of past RADIO NEWS articles collected and bound perhaps in groups such as: Broadcast Receivers, S.W. and Ham Receivers, P.A. Systems and Audio Amplifiers, Ham Transmitters, General Ham Equipment, Electronic Test Equipment and General Servicing Notes.

"Such pamphlets should sell for about $1 each and would be more useful in separate groups, something like the above listing rather than one large book at $5 or more with all topics included.

"Is it too ambitious a project for you?"

Edward A. Bogusz
Paterson 3, New Jersey

Under ordinary circumstances this wouldn't be too ambitious a project for us to tackle. In fact we have wanted to offer this service to our readers for some time. Our inability to secure the necessary newsprint to put out such specialized booklets has us stopped for the time being, but it is high on our list of projects which will be undertaken when the paper is again available.

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SIGNAL TRACER

"MANY thanks to you for the information on building an r.f., i.f. and a.f. signal tracer, as published in your January and April issues.

"I made mine exactly as outlined by the second article and was very well pleased with the results. I didn't have a speck of trouble. It took right off the first time that I tried it.

"I think this type of tracer is tops because it is so simple to operate."

Frederick G. Arndt
Albion, Michigan

Mr. Arndt's success with this construction can be traced, undoubtedly, to careful attention to details and meticulous care in wiring the unit.

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TREASURE FINDER

"THE September, 1946 RADIO NEWS had an article by W. E. Osborne on 'Treasure Finding Modernized.' This article had more cold facts, broad coverage and common sense on the subject of detectors than I've run across in the line since entering the field during War I.

"Such articles, plus a builder's supplement for beginners are a good serv-

CONDENSER TESTER

FROM Oscar E. Blair, Jr. of Baltimore, Maryland comes this suggestion for a simple and inexpensive condenser tester of his own design.

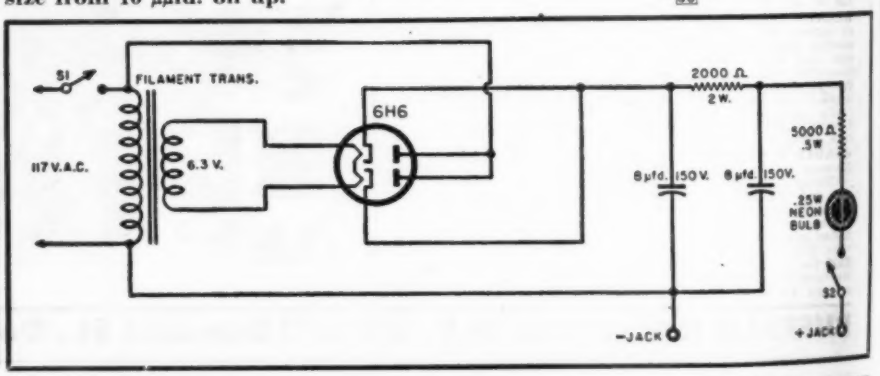
Essentially the unit consists simply of a "B" power-pack with a neon light in series with the positive lead.

According to the designer, the tester works exceedingly well showing up leaky or shorted condensers from any size from 10 μμfd. on up.

For use, the suspected condenser is simply connected across the two jacks. If the condenser is good, there will be a momentary flash of the neon bulb as the condenser charges. If the condenser is open this flash will not be observed. Leaky or shorted condensers will show up by a glow in the neon bulb.

Condensers of the electrolytic type should not be tested with this unit.

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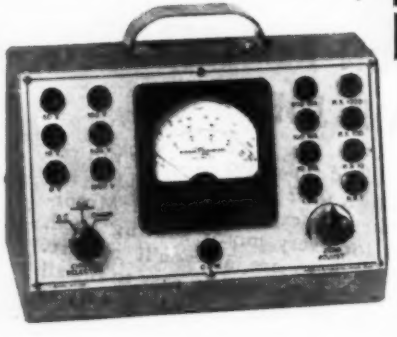
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A. L. Murphy
Trona, California

A second article, dealing with the construction of such a treasure finder, appears in this issue.

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SERVICE SHOP ITEM

"YOUR RADIO NEWS is tops. I wouldn't miss a copy.

"Here is a little service shop helper that is a 'must' in every ham shack or shop. Needing a small-parts cabinet I purchased (in the dime store) several knife, fork and spoon boxes. I found the drawer pulls on the next counter. The rest of the project was simple. I built a small box to house the drawers using little slats as drawer slides. Incidentally, the drawers are used sideways as it takes less frontage on a shelf. These drawers which are 13½" x 8½" x 2" are invaluable for housing resistors, condensers and other small radio parts and hardware."

Frank H. Coxson
Greenville, Pa.

Here is a practical idea that many of our readers might like to adopt.

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DO YOU DX CEYLON?

"I RECEIVED the June issue of RADIO NEWS, I find it interesting, especially the Circuit Page, as it is a great help to amateurs and radio servicemen.

"Am an ex-serviceman from the Signal Corps, from the Instrument Mechanic Section, so have taken a keen interest in radio.

"Kandy, the town where I live, is the center of the tea plantation and

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RADIO "INSURANCE"

MANY of our readers have inquired about the "radio insurance" method of conducting a service business. Up to the present we have had few details of this type of repair plan, however, full details have been furnished us by E. R. Wright, Chief Engineer of Radio Engineering of New Haven, Conn., whose copyright plan it is.

According to Mr. Wright, the "Wright Radio Service Plan" is available to radiomen for a small fee which entitles them to yearly or lifetime participation in the plan, the amount of the fee and the number of service shops so licensed being governed by the population of the town or city.

The plan has produced a noticeable leveling off in service charges in areas where it is in operation and has succeeded in driving out the fly-by-night operator who has been operating to the disadvantage of all honest operators.

The "radio insurance," as offered, sets a flat fee for the servicing of radios for a given year. The rates for such service are not specified as local conditions will affect such charges. The advantage of the plan is that the serviceman has a guaranteed income, whether the sets under the "plan" need servicing or not. In addition, he still may collect his regular profit on replacement parts required to effect needed repairs.

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"Am anxious to come in contact with some of your readers in America and Canada. I wonder readers in Europe and America hear our station Ceylon --on wavelengths 428-8 and on 61.2 meters and Radio SEAC, Ceylon—on wavelengths 25.46 meters, 19.84 meters and 49.38 meters.

"With best wishes and kind regards to all."

Thuan. M. W. Jamion
69, Halloluwa Road
Kandy, Ceylon

Here is a chance for some of you DXers to start an interesting correspondence on shortwave matters.

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TECHNICAL DATA

"JUST a word to let you know you are putting out a swell magazine, especially the Circuit Page.

"Also, I was very much interested in the article by Mr. Stevens in the August issue on Cathode Followers in amplifiers. However, Mr. Stevens expresses a need for a cathode type tube similar in characteristics to a 6A3 (2A3) or 6B4 for this application. For the benefit of anyone interested as I am, I should like to point out that the 6A5-G has been on the market for several years and has electrical characteristics identical to the 6A3 even to the heater ratings, but having cathode-heater rather than filament."

Richard Gaines
Stephenville, Texas

Many thanks to Mr. Gaines for passing this information along to our readers.

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AVIATION RADIO ENTHUSIAST

"I AM greatly pleased to see your new circuit department and have entered my subscription for three years to Radio News. I don't want to miss any.

"Please print circuits of the light plane radios as soon as possible. And how about more dope, stories and technical data on light plane radio equipment in Radio News each month. I'm sure it would help sell more magazines."

Stanley T. Herrick
Plaistow, New Hampshire

An article covering the installation of radio equipment in personal planes appears in this issue. We hope that it will be of help to our readers who are interested in radio equipment for light planes.

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REQUEST FOR ARTICLES

"RADIO NEWS is tops and I have copies dating back ten years or more.

"There are a few things I hope you will be able to work out which I think, and probably lots of other men too, are needed. I am referring to a system whereby you would print in bold letters at the top of the page the title under which you could file either the page, or list on cards for future reference. Also I would like to see you put ads on the back of pages carrying articles.

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HONORS FOR MISS SULLIVAN

"I AM writing just a few lines to congratulate you for your fine work on the trans-receiver born out of your handiwork, your knowledge of radio principles and your diligent effort. The appearance is very neat and, undoubtedly, its performance will reach all expectations.

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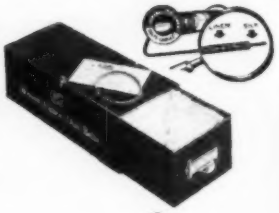
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the old-timers Northeastern Division of Radio Experimenters of Mexico. The story behind this wire connection is that it was made by me and sent to a newcomer into hamdom who was having trouble in making neat heavy wire connections. Eventually he sent it along to somebody else and in turn, again, it was forwarded elsewhere until finally it returned to me. Since that day we have adopted it as a symbol of our club and, if you permit me, I beg to you that you keep it as a souvenir from your friend in Old Mexico.

"At this particular time I am not on the air on my own and all my activities go through XE2JN, this city, as we all are piling our efforts toward a 0.5 kw. Club Station.

"I sincerely hope that in the near future we might be able to contact by means of Amateur Radio, till then MORE POWER TO YOU."

Ing. Horacio Mattei A. Gte.
Calle Belden No. 1510
Nuevo Laredo, Tam.

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Spot Radio News

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well ahead of the prewar monthly rate of 1,100,000. It goes without saying that the industry is expending every effort to impress upon OPA the significance of CPA's findings. High production should lead to decontrol. But how soon the CPA production figures will lead to free enterprise is still a moot question in Washington. . . . Incidentally, the radio industry contributed its share to the summer-end employment totals for the nation, hailed by CPA as "four million higher than the war-time level of a year ago." Civilian employment was reaching the 60,000,000 mark as Labor Day rolled 'round, with the increases showing most markedly in non-agricultural fields. A record large buying public seemed indicated for the holiday season.

REGARDLESS OF OPA's ATTITUDE on decontrol, the industry continues to push for an early decision. A recent conference was called by Radio Manufacturers Association President R. C. Cosgrove in Washington. Industry leaders met with OPA officials. RMA announced after the conference that immediate steps were under way for accumulating the required information on the radio industry's production, inventories, and sales in preparation for the filing of formal decontrol petitions. "We will exert every effort and tap all of the radio industry's resources in this fight to bring about decontrol of the industry through processes provided by Congress in the new OPA extension act," Mr. Cosgrove said, and emphasized the significance of current production records: "Radio set production, by unit volume, is already greater than it was before the war, and it will probably increase this fall

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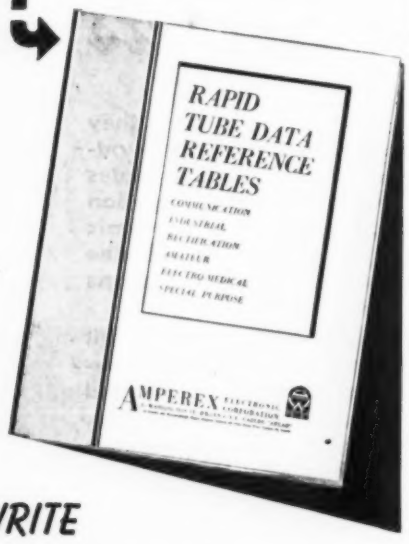
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ONE OF THE OLDTIMERS in radio, Zeh Bouck, passed away recently after a short illness. Formerly associated with RADIO NEWS, Mr. Bouck was well known for his many contributions on radio subjects to various technical publications.

TWO PROMINENT FIGURES in the radio industry, Charles Golenpaul and Walter Jablon, have been appointed directors of the 1947 Radio Parts and Electronic Equipment Trade Show Corporation. It would be difficult to find two men better suited for this important job.

THE YEAR 1946 will be the biggest on record as far as the Federal Communications Commission is concerned, work-load figures already tabulated in Washington indicate. As an indication, 70,000 hams now have licenses. Between May and August, a total of 12,500 were processed, and the work is now current. Equally heavy is the load of applications for new AM stations—almost as many as the number of AM stations now operating. A total of 850 new applications are now pending, as compared with 977 stations already licensed. In addition, 303 construction permits have been granted. Some 65 FM stations are now on the air and 510 have either construction permits or conditional grants. This is in addition to 250 pending applications. Six licenses have been granted for television, plus 27 construction permits and 30 pending applications. And on top of all this, late summer and early fall found the Commission swamped with requests from municipalities for two-way radio systems. Almost every city in the nation wants a system installed. FCC is processing all applications as quickly as possible and looking toward 1947 with expectation of more work than this year.

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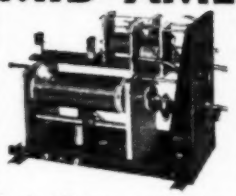
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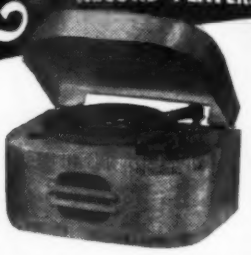
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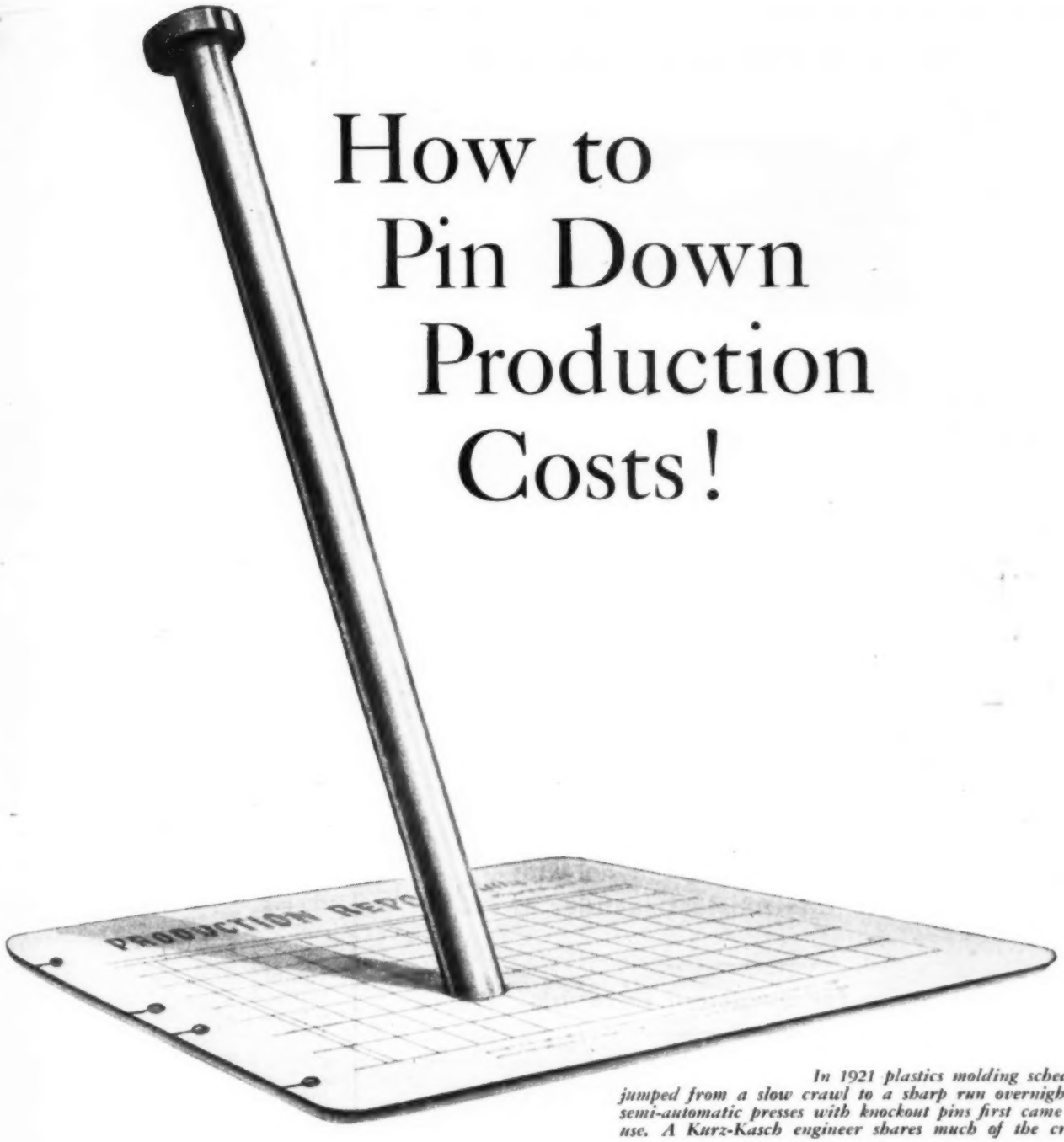
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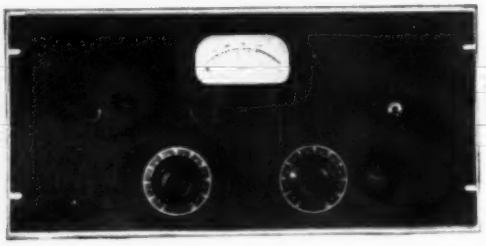
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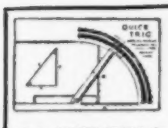
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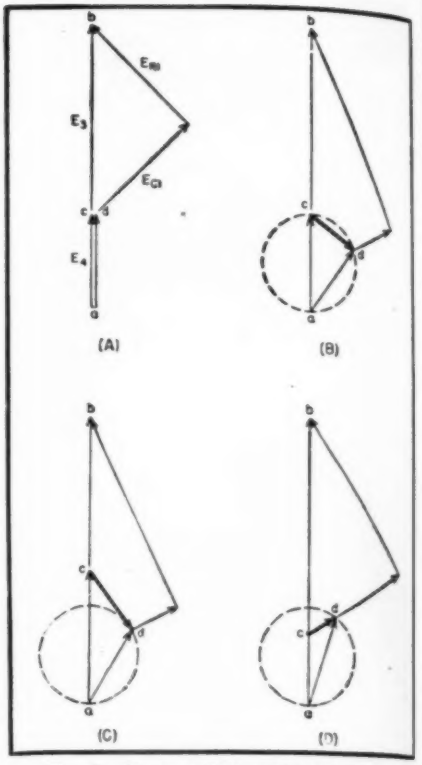


Fig. 7. Vector relationships in bridge circuit of Fig. 3. Letters on the vector diagram correspond to similarly lettered points in Fig. 3. (A) Bridge perfectly balanced. Cathode-grid voltage (c-d) on tube 1 is zero. (B) Changes in vector diagram from that of (A) where frequency changes. Vector c-d takes on various values as point d moves in a circle. (C) Same as (B) with resistor R_3 smaller than the value required for balance. (D) Same as (B) with resistor R_3 larger than the value required for balance. Note that vector c-d may be in phase with the voltage a-b. Under these conditions, oscillation occurs.

just about double the frequency range, but, of course, the calibrations on the dial will be more crowded.

Once the frequency range has been established as desired, the oscillator is ready for calibration by comparison with a known source. Before calibrating, it should be understood that both the setting of the feedback control and the amount of loading on the output

Fig. 8. Close-up of main tuning dial, showing how frequency calibrations space out when potentiometer is correctly connected.



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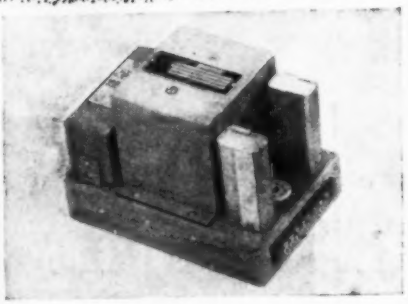
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will affect the frequency. Therefore, it is necessary to calibrate the unit with some high impedance device connected to the output, such as an oscilloscope or a high impedance amplifier input circuit. In addition, it is necessary to adjust both the feedback control and the frequency control for each frequency of calibration in such a manner that a sine wave is produced at the desired frequency. Of course, an oscilloscope is ideal for determining whether or not the unit is delivering a sine wave; but in the absence of such an instrument, the feedback control should be adjusted just slightly beyond the point where it breaks into oscillation. A good sine wave will be obtained until the feedback is advanced considerably beyond this point.

Another consideration in calibration is that most commercial two-gang potentiometers have considerable backlash. Therefore, each calibration point should be determined only after turning the main tuning dial in some certain direction, whether right or left as desired.

In using this test oscillator, it should be borne in mind that it is by no means intended as a precision instrument, and frequency calibrations can be off as much as five or ten per-cent. However, it is very stable for all its simplicity, and once set to deliver a sine wave at some frequency it will maintain a reliable signal of constant output and good waveform for long periods of test.

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New Amateur Transmitter

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This is particularly desirable on the higher frequency bands which usually are open for a limited number of hours each day. Five separate tank coils are utilized (10 and 11 meters use the same coil), each with its own variable link. The link couples the antenna or feeders to the cold end of the plate coil. All links are mechanically coupled together and are operated by a control knob on the front panel. They feed directly into 52 ohm to 73 ohm transmission lines. For higher impedance transmission lines an external tuning circuit should be employed. Either balanced or unbalanced antennas can be used.

6. *V.f.o. control.* This was accomplished with a high degree of success. The dial is calibrated directly in frequency. The exciter unit will be discussed in detail in the latter part of this article.

7, 8, 9. *Power supplies.* Economical design dictates that the power supplies be kept to a minimum. A high voltage supply, low voltage supply, and a bias supply provide all the d.c. power required by the 30K. A single high voltage supply feeds both the r.f. power amplifier and the modulator tubes. Since the 4-125A tube requires high voltage and low current, as do the 75TH modulators, a pair of 866A rectifiers can deliver easily the required plate current for both stages. The low voltage supply provides voltage for the 4-125A screen, the speech amplifier, and the modulator driver. It also supplies bias voltage for the 4-125A and the modulator tubes. With the 4-125A biased to cut-off, keying can be accomplished in the exciter.

10. *High efficiency.* In the 30K circuit, plate efficiency of the 4-125A is between 75 and 80%. The tank and coupling circuits are designed for low loss, thus delivering maximum power to the antenna.

11, 12, 13. *Speech equipment.* Speech amplifiers and modulator equipment are on one chassis located in the transmitter cabinet. The audio input will accommodate either crystal or high impedance dynamic microphones. The amplifier is conventional, with the exception of the speech clipper and filter employed.

Prior to the development of the 30K, a considerable amount of investigation in the laboratories had proved the advantages of audio peak clipping. In congested frequencies such as amateur bands, or in adverse atmospheric conditions, peak clipping raises the effective modulation level and provides greater intelligibility at the receiving end. It also prevents overmodulation, because audio peaks and transients are clipped before reaching the modulator.

A low pass filter, following the speech clipper, attenuates all frequencies above 4000 c.p.s. This cut-off frequency is high enough to preserve the naturalness of the voice, yet eliminates excessive bandwidth. In field tests, listeners have reported that the 30K takes a comparatively narrow band width in amateur bands.

A pair of *Eimac* 75TH tubes are utilized as modulators. The modulation transformer has a separate winding for modulating the 4-125A screen.

A manually operated "phone-c.w." switch is located in the modulator unit, and is controlled by a knob on the front of the transmitter. For c.w. operation, this switch opens the filament circuit of the modulator tubes and shorts the secondary of the modulation transformer.

The audio gain in the speech amplifier is controlled by a knob on the front panel. The clipping level is adjusted manually from the rear of the cabinet, and can be set to occur at any desired percentage of modulation.

14. *Single control operation.* The transmitter plate switch and the exciter switch are connected in series. Just by leaving the transmitter switch in the "On" position, the exciter switch will have complete control of transmitting and receiving functions. The exciter switch has an extra section for use as a receiver disabling switch.

If push-to-talk operation is desired, the "push-to-talk" switch is connected in series with the plate control section of the exciter switch. Both transmitter and exciter switches are left in the

"transmit" position. An extra relay is then necessary for disabling the receiver. Calibration procedure is unchanged. Terminals are provided for operation of a receiver disabling relay, and also for an antenna changeover relay in the transmitter.

15. *Accessibility.* The cabinet is of sturdy welded steel construction. All units, tubes, and wiring are easily accessible through the full length rear door. Electrical interlocks break all high voltages when the cabinet is opened. The door may be locked with a key to prevent entrance by unauthorized persons.

All operating controls are conveniently located on the front panel. Meters are mounted on an insulated panel located behind a glass window near the top of the transmitter. Another window permits observation of the 4-125A r.f. amplifier.

Exciter Unit

The exciter unit for the 30K can be adapted easily to drive a variety of higher powered transmitters. All circuits are ganged together and controlled by a single tuning knob. The variable frequency oscillator is a peacetime application of a rugged and highly stable wartime development. The dial is calibrated directly in frequency, and is accurate to within 1 kc. in the 40 meter band. Accuracy on the other bands is directly proportional. The 1 kc. allowable deviation includes the frequency error due to all normal operating conditions. The v.f.o. operates in the 160 meter band.

One control bandswitches all circuits simultaneously. The exciter covers the 80, 40, 20, 15, 11, and 10 meter bands. In the "calibrate" position, the exciter can be tuned to zero beat with a received signal without turning on the transmitter.

Electronic keying provides fast, clean c.w. operation. When the key is removed from the jack, the circuit is automatically closed for phone operation. The exciter output is fed through a 73 ohm coaxial transmission line to a link on the grid coil in the transmitter.

Operation of the exciter is extremely simple—one control switch, a bandswitch, and single dial tuning. It can be used either as a transmitter or as a versatile exciter. Frequency control is rapid, accurate, and reliable.

Field Tests

The 30K has been given strenuous and critical tests in actual amateur operation. The ease and reliability of operation were firmly established. As was expected, the speech clipper was highly satisfactory, and effectively raised the modulation level. The signal was kept clean, and intelligibility was definitely increased. The low-pass audio filter maintained a narrow band width. It can be said truthfully that the clipper enabled the operator to obtain and maintain solid contacts that would have been lost otherwise in static and crowded frequencies.

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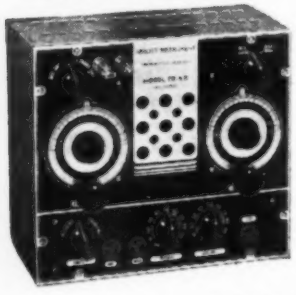
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Facsimile for the Home

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simile program material of popular appeal, the larger the sale of paper and the more often the customer will return to the store for refills. The paper is manufactured with a moderately high moisture content, packaged in moisture-proof cans and loaded into the home recorder in a humidor, obviating any moistening process in home or store.

There are no rapid reciprocating mechanical motions in the facsimile mechanism. The only operation necessary on the part of the user, after he had loaded his recorder, is to adjust the volume control. Finished copy unrolls to be read at the reader's convenience.

Copy is produced by tapping into the output of the FM discriminator, feeding it through a recorder amplifier to the recorder unit. The recorder amplifier not only does the conventional job of building up the signal to values necessary to mark the paper electrolytically but furnishes pure d.c. for marking the paper. It also controls framing and synchronization in the recorder.

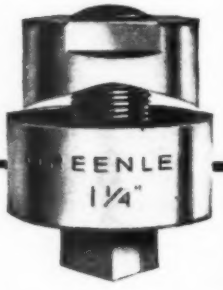
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Both drum and helix rotate at the relatively slow speed of 360 r.p.m., the effect of the helix being a lateral contact across the paper, line by line. The degree of blackness produced electrolytically, at any moment, is proportionate to the current passing through the paper, and this in turn, is controlled by the received radio signal. After the mark is made at the helix bar, the paper moves up another 1/105 of an inch to mark the next line. It then passes over a miniature heating unit and ironing unit which drive out all moisture, and thus the paper issues clear and crisp.

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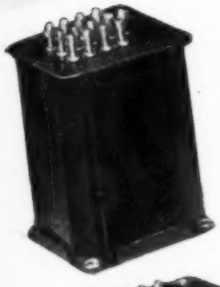
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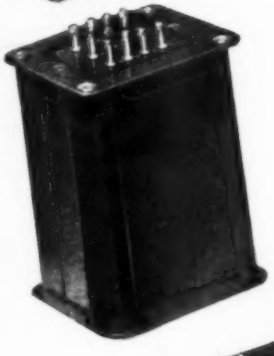
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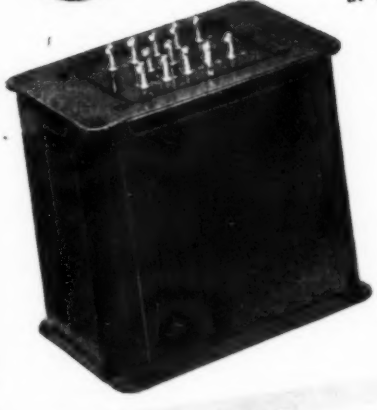
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have to become familiar with the home recorders and be ready to service them.

Some thought has been given to how extensive this training need be. But if printed matter will not convey the necessary information to the trade, prospective manufacturers stand ready to provide for training servicemen at their plants. Whether this will be necessary is not clear as yet but it will be before quantity production receivers are available because a considerable period of experimental programming will precede presentation of any general facsimile broadcasting service. During this period, a quantity of pre-production recorders will be in the hands of typical home users to gain experience in programming and service problems.

Though the accent primarily has fallen on commercial home facsimile, an interest is being awakened in the amateur who also can get printed matter and pictures into his home by radio facsimile.

For producing a picture of about 105 line screen on a 360 r.p.m. drum, the bandwidth is about 6000 cycles. This is somewhat too much for a typical "ham" radio-telephone transmitter. But it would be no trick at all to make a special ham-type home recorder which operates at half speed, by switching the two-pole synchronous motor to four-pole operation. This would cut down copy speed to 14 square inches per minute but it would still have plenty of speed. Using a standard typewriter with solid single space copy, it would deliver 115 words a minute, which still is moving it along.

Since amateur operators are interested in long distance communications, synchronization through power systems would be impractical, but satisfactory automatic synchronization systems are available which overcome this difficulty. They depend upon the use of pulses, transmitted between scanning lines, to govern the receiver-motor speed.

Nobody can tell when amateur facsimile will be available because, at present, attention is being focused on the BCL field. But one or two familiar makers catering to the amateur field are studying the production problem with a view to making a low-cost amateur-BCL machine and slow-speed narrow band scanner for amateur transmission.

Transmitting scanners and demonstration recorders made by the *General Electric Company* will be available to FM broadcasting stations early in 1947, and quantity production home recorders may appear late in the year. Since such things as fancy hardwood cabinets do not confuse production for the amateur market, it is more than likely that essential components or complete recorders and scanners for amateurs will be available before the public has a chance to buy facsimile recorders in quantity. —30—

What's New in Radio

(*Continued from page* 68)

ception of distant or weak stations.

The EC-113 covers three bands, 535 to 1625 kc., 2200 to 7100 kc. and 6900 to 22,000 kc.

Hallicrafters Company, 2611 South Indiana Avenue, Chicago, Illinois will supply additional information about their home receiver line upon request.

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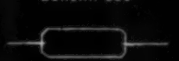
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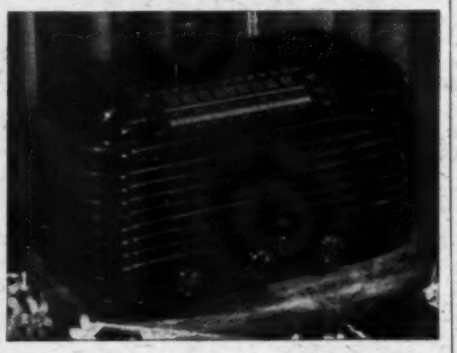
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unit can be switched to either high or low sensitivity as required for the particular circuit to be tested.

Prices and deliveries on this pocket Meg-Lite will be furnished by *Robson-Burgess Manufacturing Company*, Omaha, Nebraska.

EXPORT TABLE MODELS

Two new table model receivers, designed for the export market, are currently in production at the Chicago plant of *Stewart-Warner Corporation*.



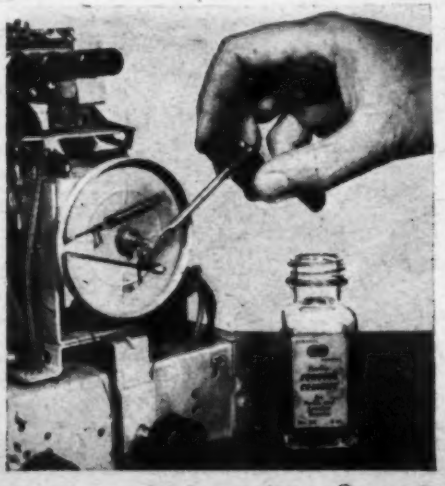
The Model 9013-A has three bands covering from 13 to 550 meters. This superheterodyne has selective manual tuning and a 6 inch PM dynamic speaker. The circuit features ten tuned circuits for all bands and four watts power output. Designed for a.c. operation, it has five tubes and rectifier; power transformer of 50-60 cycles with taps at 110, 125, 150, 200, 225 and 245 volts; plug-in for phonograph; external antenna connection, and completely impregnated components to withstand tropical operating conditions.

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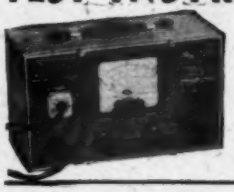
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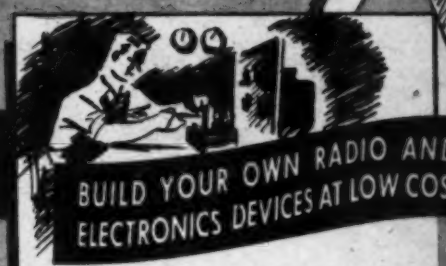


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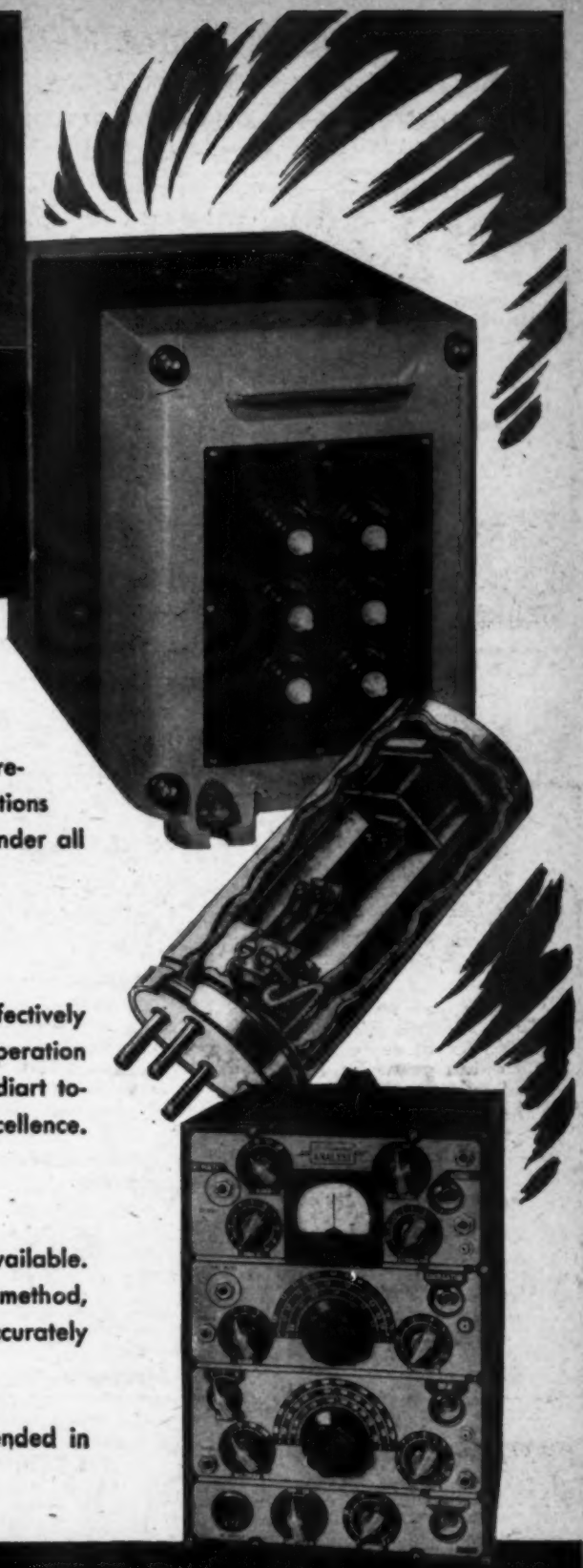
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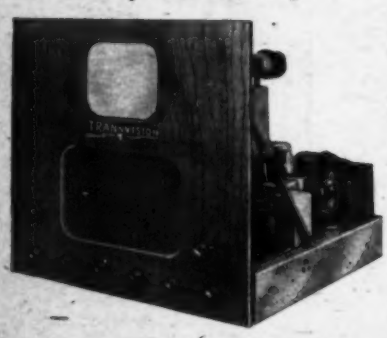
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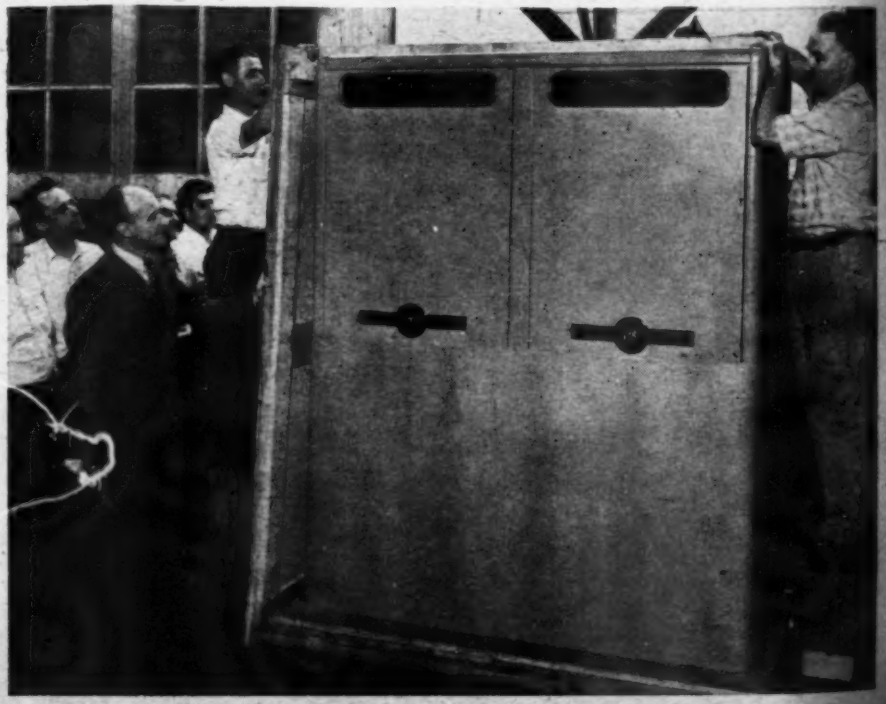
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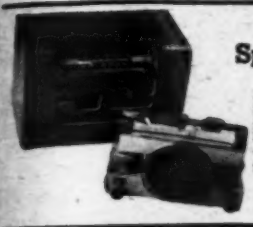
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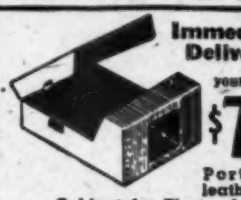
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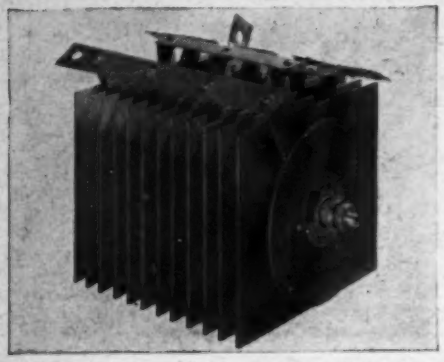
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tifier plates will be furnished by the *Seletron Division* of the *Radio Receptor Company*, 251 West 19th Street, New York 11, New York.

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Of interest to small boat enthusiasts and servicemen who install and maintain marine equipment is the new, compact Fathometer which was recently announced by *Raytheon Manufacturing Company's Marine Division, Submarine Signal Company* of Boston, Massachusetts.

The entire system, consisting of a control unit, projectors and a vibrapack power supply unit, can be quickly and easily installed. The components of the control unit, i.e., signal generator, echo amplifier, indicator and driving mechanism, are mounted in a single spray-proof case about one foot square and four inches deep.

The unit gives accurate depth measurements within a range of 400 feet at a rate of 360 soundings per minute. These can be checked with the charts to identify underwater landmarks, and assist in determining position regardless of fog, darkness or weather conditions.

Additional data on this unit will be furnished by *Raytheon Manufacturing Company*, 60 East 42nd Street, New York 17, New York, upon request.

PORTABLE COMBINATION RADIO

Fada Radio and Electric Company, Inc. are currently announcing their new Model 647 deluxe portable radio-phonograph combination with automatic record changer.

The unit is housed in a two-tone luggage type case with a genuine leather handle. The record changer is capable of handling both ten and twelve inch records with the cover closed.

The radio is a six-tube superheterodyne with untuned r.f. stage. Four controls regulate the operation of the unit, including tuning, tone, on-off volume control and phono-radio switch. A specially designed loop antenna eliminates the necessity for external connections to the radio. An illumi-



nated slide rule dial permits easy tuning.

Additional information on this model and other radios in the company's line will be furnished upon request to *Fada Radio and Electric Company, Inc.*, Long Island City, New York.

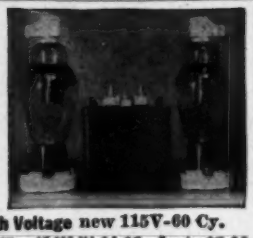
TABLE MODEL COMBINATION

Production has recently been started on the new Model F-617 combination radio with automatic record changer, according to the announcement made by *Templetone Radio Mfg. Corp.* of New London, Conn.

The set is housed in a mahogany finish wood cabinet with a heavy solid wood front. Full view slide rule dial with a fluorescent plastic pointer and large numbers are features of this unit. The lid is mounted with a full-length piano type hinge and has a ratchet type adjustable self-support.

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National Company, Inc. of Malden, Massachusetts, has recently introduced a line of new i.f. transformers designed for high frequency AM and FM applications. All of these transformers operate at 10.7 mc. and can be used

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Signal Generator

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The signal generator will only be useful if accurately calibrated. One may imply that it is necessary to purchase a second signal generator in order to calibrate the first. This is, of course, not essential since existing radio stations furnish accurate frequency standards. For example: broadcasting stations, accurate to 20 cycles, can be used for calibrating the [illegible] two bands.

Frequencies between 550 and [illegible] kc. are calibrated by beating the [illegible] damental of the signal generat[illegible] against the broadcasting stations [illegible] any broadcast receiver. Care must [illegible] taken not to beat images when usi[illegible] a superheterodyne. Remember that [illegible] image will be off by a frequency twi[illegible] that of the i.f. The frequencies bel[illegible] 550 kc. are calibrated by beating th[illegible] second harmonic of the signal ge[illegible] erator against the broadcasting st[illegible] tion. Be careful when approaching t[illegible] intermediate frequency of the broa[illegible] cast receiver as spurious beats w[illegible] be heard.

Errors can be more easily discov[illegible] ered if the calibration is first mad[illegible] with curves on graph paper. Dire[illegible] calibrations can later be printed o[illegible] the main dial. Before calibration [illegible] attempted, mark one main dial sca[illegible] from zero to one hundred.

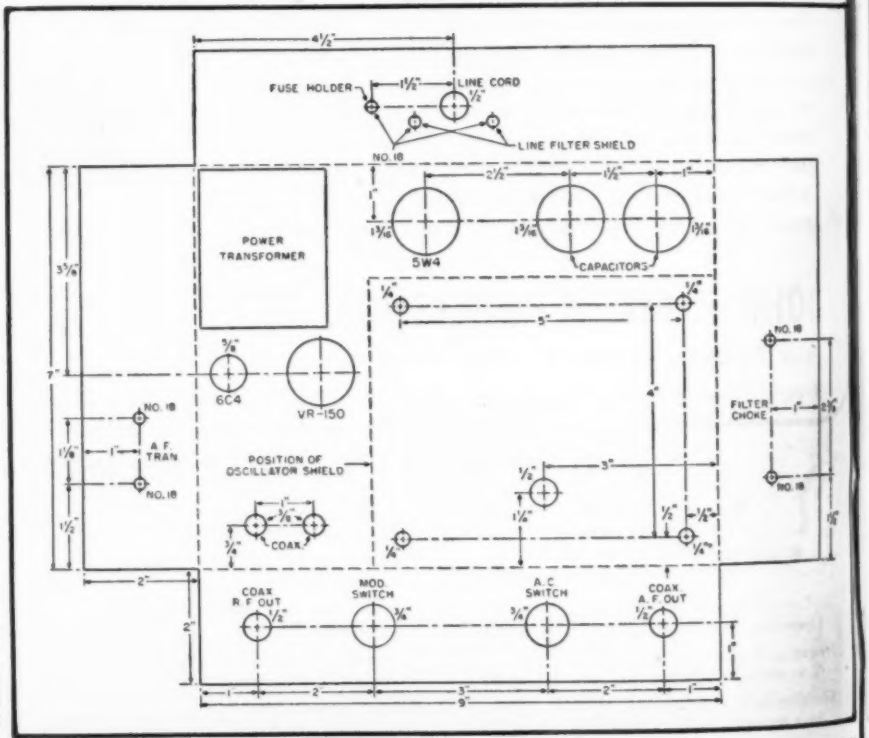
Calibration of the higher frequen[illegible] cies is certainly more difficult. Rad[illegible] station WWV, operating on 2.5, 5, [illegible] and 15 mc., is, by far the most usef[illegible] frequency standard. If an all-wav[illegible] receiver is not available, it is recom[illegible] mended that a simple regenerati[illegible] receiver be constructed for pickin[illegible] up WWV.

Another useful item for working [illegible] conjunction with WWV is an accura[illegible] 100 kc. oscillator, either self excit[illegible] or crystal controlled. As each sign[illegible] generator point is recorded again[illegible] WWV, the harmonics of the 100 k[illegible] standard are used for 100 kc. che[illegible] points plus or minus WWV.

Adjust the iron cores of each c[illegible] so that the various bands just overl[illegible] by a small amount.

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Mechanical layout shows chassis construction for all-wave signal generator.



Technical BOOKS

"ELECTRONIC TUBES, TRANSMITTING TYPES," compiled by the Electronics Department, General Electric Company. Published by *General Electric Company,* Schenectady, New York. 600 pages. Price $2.00.

Of particular interest to equipment designers, broadcast engineers, and experimenters, this 600 page book recently issued by *General Electric Company,* contains photographs, outline drawings, ratings, performance curves and application data on 94 tube types, covering the full scope of AM, television FM and communications. Also included in this book is data on the Phasitron and Lighthouse tubes.

This manual is subject to periodic revision at an annual fee of $1.00 applicable after December 31, 1947. Until that date new and revised data will be supplied to book owners without additional charge.

The book is being distributed by the *General Electric Company,* Schenectady, New York.

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"RADIO SERVICE STANDARD RATE BOOK" by Robert T. Oelrich. Published by *Oelrich Publications,* Chicago. 44 pages. Price $1.00.

Many radio servicemen who have been attempting to establish fair and equitable rates for the servicing of radios will welcome the appearance of this book.

While it may not be practical to adopt the rates in toto, this book provides a basis of comparison for the serviceman. The book is divided into six sections, covering auto radios, a.c.-d.c. battery portables, console radios, table model radios, record players and record changers. Each of these sections outlines the general servicing procedures for each type of set, and lists standard rates for various types of repair services.

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"ELECTRIC MOTOR REPAIR" by Robert Rosenberg. Published by *Murray Hill Books Incorporated,* New York. 570 pages. Price $5.00.

This book has been designed as a thoroughly practical "how-to-do-it" text for the beginner, apprentice, student or mechanic. The publishers have even designed the book differently from the ordinary text in order that it might be of practical value in the service shop. The book is divided into two sections, each section spiral bound so that the text may be used in conjunction with the correlated illustrations.

The author has concentrated on troubleshooting and repair of common a.c. and d.c. motors. Complete instructions on rewinding have also been included. In addition to discussing specific motors, the book covers motor control systems, synchronous motors, generators, synchros and electronic control of motors. Each subject discussed is followed by a quick-reference summary of troubleshooting and repair suggestions which serves as a working guide on specific jobs.

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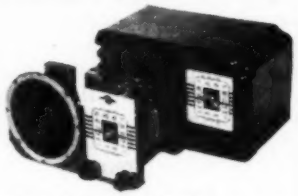
THE PUBLISHER of "Radio Tube Vade Mecum, 1945," reviewed in the September, 1946, issue of RADIO NEWS, has advised us that in order to facilitate the handling of orders for this book, *Editors and Engineers, Ltd.,* of 1300 Kenwood Road, Santa Barbara, California, have been named distributors for the text.

It is no longer necessary for orders to be forwarded to Belgium. *Editors and Engineers, Ltd.,* have advised that the 1946 issue, mentioned as being available soon, is expected shortly. A price of $2.50 in U.S. currency has been set.

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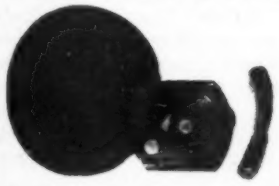
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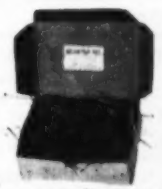
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Should agencies be used to collect delinquent accounts?

This is a question which every serviceman-dealer must answer. Here are the pros and cons on it.

By J. A. HAROLD

ALTHOUGH there is plenty of "easy money" around now, the day will come when delinquent accounts become a major problem of postwar businessmen. When collections become difficult businessmen are sorely tempted to resort to collection agencies as a solution to the problem of eliminating overdue accounts on their books.

Yet, before the creditor succumbs to the wiles of a solicitor and begins beating the brush for a collection agency, he might well pause and consider all the angles inherent in turning over accounts for collection. Two alternatives will probably be presented to him by the solicitor: (1) outright purchase of the accounts, or (2) collection on a commission basis.

Where accounts are purchased outright, the price offered for run-of-the-mill delinquent accounts may net the creditor as little as ten cents on the dollar. If on a commission basis, he may pay fifty per-cent for bills collected. Granted that the collection agency may, by its work, justify such fees in some instances, nevertheless the businessman may ask himself whether from his own self-interest the services of an agency are warranted, either from the standpoint of the discount or commission or from even more compelling considerations.

While the agency is acting for the creditor he is not subject to the creditor's control. The collection agent's one and only interest is to collect the debt by fair means or foul, let the bad will created by his actions be visited upon the creditor, if it must. In the mind of the debtor, let us be clear, the action of the agent is going to be the action of the creditor, and the debtor will not make any fine distinction between the two. Methods that the creditor would hesitate to use the agency will have no qualms in utilizing.

Effective in pursuing dead-beats—and they are unexcelled in this field of activity—they are no less zealous in the harassing of honest debtors who, potentially at least, represent a part of the good will that has made the creditor's success in business possible. Small town businessmen, especially, should think twice before allowing collection agents from nearby cities to come in and roust around once-valued customers. Such customers may have a wide circle of friends who, aware of the circumstances behind the non-payment (even if the creditor is not) may adversely affect the creditor's business. Under such conditions the selling of a $50 debt for $5 becomes an expensive transaction for the creditor as he puzzles over certain valued accounts dropping away.

"If I can't collect a delinquent account myself with my methods I don't want a collection agency to do it," an unusually successful businessman told me. He is noted for the good will that he enjoys in his community.

"The real test of good will," he explained "is in collecting old accounts. You can't preserve that good will if you treat customers down on their luck as if they were rascals. The businessman can usually do everything to collect a bill that an agency can. The point is that the businessman has ethical considerations that stop him. These same considerations should prevent him from allowing an agent to do what he, the businessman, would not. In any event, the businessman should understand that he must accept the consequences of the acts of the agency as far as good will is concerned.

"Three of the most valued customers I have today once headed a list of bad debts that, save for second thought, I would have turned over to a collection agency. One of them, today, is my best friend, and I wince everytime I think of it. Pushing him around wouldn't have gotten him to pay up any quicker than I did by using a little common sense and sympathetic understanding."

No objection can be raised to the use of collection agents in running down dead-beats. The trouble is that creditors rarely make fine distinctions between purely old accounts and dead-beats. And, collection agencies thrive on catching honest delinquents in every batch of accounts turned over to them. These people eventually pay, have no intention of doing otherwise. The collection agency, pushing these debtors around to make their presence felt, usually do exactly what the creditor can do; sit it out until the debtor's financial circumstances take a turn for the better.

"I'd as soon hire a so-called 'business-building organization' to come into my store as to hire a collection agency," another successful businessman said. "In either case their sole interest is in the commission—not in the continuing success of the businessman whose survival in business may

be even more dependent upon good will than upon the non-payment of a scattered few debts that have accumulated in the course of business."

The methods resorted to by collection agencies are many and varied, but all are distasteful to honest debtors and the merchant should think long ere he unleashes them against once valued customers. Not only may they be depended upon to use every legal trick of their calling, not a few step over the line in their zealousness and in so doing, occasionally, run afoul of the law. Collection agencies operating as branches of private detective agencies have a penchant for using badges in an abuse of authority. Creditors should be warned that, under certain circumstances, they may be legally liable, along with the agency, for acts committed by agency employees.

If the merchant feels that he must resort to the services of a collection agent he should take sufficient time to weigh each debt before surrendering it for collection. He should consider all consequences as against the amount he may realize if collection is made. He should try to view each case objectively asking himself if the circumstances of the debtor do not warrant waiting.

Unemotionally and impersonally he should try to determine which debtors are dead-beats and which are not, separating the sheep from the goats. An honest delinquent debtor may be a great asset in the future, if efforts are made to salvage his account and at the same time preserve his good will.

The temptation is great to vent one's ire on the honest delinquent debtor out of anger at inability to effect collection from the dishonest. The creditor can't get at the dead-beat and is only too likely to take it out on the honest debtor who apologetically acknowledges his debt.

Many debtors feel as badly about their debt as does the creditor, but don't know how to convey this feeling to the creditor and so, from a sense of shame and panic, take refuge in dodging the creditor until they can pay the bill. The creditor, therefore, shouldn't be too quick in assuming that dodging is the mark of a dead-beat, at least until other evidence supports such a conclusion. If able to pay, and the debtor does not, then the creditor is certainly safe in assuming he is dealing with a dead-beat.

Unlike your honest debtor, the case-hardened dead-beat is usually glib and ready with circumstantial stories and excuses for his failure to pay. Unless he is new at the racket he knows all of the legal tricks of his nefarious trade and, after a few interviews with him, the creditor can usually identify him for what he is.

If you must use a collection agency do so only as a last resort. Good will is too hardly won to dissipate it, let alone employ someone to destroy it!

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CAPT. WILLIS E. CLEAVES, U.S.N., has recently joined the *Collins Radio Company* of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, as aviation sales manager. Captain Cleaves has been placed on inactive status and has requested retirement after 22 years of commissioned service, most of the time in aviation radio communications.



A graduate of the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis in 1924, Capt. Cleaves has seen duty as communications officer on board a destroyer, as officer in charge of the Radio and Electrical Section of the Engineering Division of the Bureau of Aeronautics at Washington, D. C., and also fleet aviation communication duty.

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D. K. ROBERTS, for the past four and one-half years associated with the Marine Division of the *Sperry Gyroscope Company,* has been added to the sales engineering staff of the *Press Wireless Manufacturing Corporation* of New York.

Before joining the *Sperry* company, Mr. Roberts served the *National Broadcasting Company* for seven years as engineer and announcer.

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SAMUEL J. McDONALD, JR., was recently appointed to the sales staff of the Radio Tube Division of *Sylvania Electric.* He will serve the distributor sales division in the New York and Philadelphia territories. Mr. McDonald graduated from Brown University in 1938 and was connected with *Lever Brothers* and the *Sherwin-Williams Company* prior to his appointment as personnel supervisor for the Salem, Mass., *Sylvania* plant in 1943.



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RALPH C. POWELL, formerly General Sales and Advertising Manager of the *Presto Recording Corporation,* has resigned to engage in business under the name *R. C. Powell & Co., Inc.* at 730 Fifth Ave., New York City. The company will handle the national distribution of a number of new electronic devices through offices located in ten cities.

Mr. Powell joined the *Presto Corporation* in 1936 where he introduced the idea of recording network radio programs for delayed broadcasting, a procedure which is now generally used among broadcasting stations. Prior to his association with the *Presto Corporation* he was engaged in the installation and management of broadcasting stations.

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J. J. BRODERICK has been appointed assistant manager of the Special Products Sales Division of the *Farnsworth Television & Radio Corporation,* Fort Wayne, Indiana. The Special Products Sales Division is in charge of contract sales, automatic record changers and other special products.

Mr. Broderick joined *Farnsworth* in 1940 as assistant manager of distribution services. He later became assistant to the *Farnsworth* sales manager and then assistant purchasing agent. Prior to his present appointment he handled general administrative assignments for E. H. Vogel, vice-president in charge of sales.

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EDWARD C. BEASLEY, formerly with *General Electric Supply Corp.,* has been appointed to the sales staff of the Koiled Kord division of *Kellogg Switchboard and Supply Co.,* Chicago. Mr. Beasley will direct sales and promotion of the Koiled Kord products in the Southwest and will maintain his headquarters in Texarkana, Arkansas.



Mr. Beasley's former positions include sales manager for the *W. B. Davis Electric Supply Company,* Memphis, Tennessee, Arkansas representative of the Little Rock branch of *General Electric Supply Company* and resident inspector for the *Chicago Signal Corps Inspection* Zone, Chicago, Illinois.

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JENSEN MANUFACTURING COMPANY is the new name recently given the *Jensen Radio Manufacturing Company.*

To avoid any misunderstanding that might arise regarding the company's products, they have eliminated the word "Radio" from the corporate name. No change has been made in the Jensen organization and the company will continue to manufacture loudspeakers.

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A. A. JUVILER, president of the *Hamilton Radio Corporation,* announced recently that the company name has been changed to *Olympic Radio & Televisions, Inc.*

The company produces the *Olympic*

"tru-base" radios for both the domestic and export market and therefore felt it advisable to change the name of the corporation to coincide with the name of its products.

The two acre, block square, Brewster Building at 3101-19 38th Ave., Long Island City, New York, has been leased by *Olympic*. It is estimated that this new location will bring about a fourfold increase in the company's capacity to produce radio sets.

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JOHN W. STRICKLAND, formerly sales manager of *Globe Wireless, Ltd.*, Radiotype Division, has been named sales promotion manager of *Press Wireless Manufacturing Corporation.*



During the war, Mr. Strickland, as Major in the Army Airways Communications System, had charge of extensive installations of radar and various types of telecommunications and participated in the design and installation of communications systems for the postwar expansion program of the Air Transport Command in eighty European cities.

Prior to the war, Mr. Strickland was sales manager for the *American Network.*

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FRANK WHITAKER has been appointed director of materials and purchasing at *Sonora Radio & Television Corporation.*

Mr. Whitaker came to *Sonora* from *Stewart-Warner Corp.*, where he was co-ordinator of the electrical division, in charge of expediting, materials, warehousing, and shipping records.

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THOMAS B. ALDRICH succeeds R. C. Powell as general sales and advertising manager of the *Presto Recording Corporation.* Mr. Aldrich has been with the company for the past ten years in the capacity of factory sales engineer in the New York Metropolitan Area.

In 1942 he was granted leave of absence to enlist in the Army. He spent two years in the European Theater as Captain in the 9th Air Force and in the Fall of 1944 resumed his activities with *Presto.*

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JAMES S. KNOWLSON, Chairman of the board and president of *Stewart-Warner Corporation,* was recently awarded the Medal of Merit, highest award the U. S. Armed Services can confer on a civilian. The award was made for services performed while Mr. Knowlson was a "dollar-a-year" man serving in various capacities.

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ARTHUR E. AKEROYD has been made New England district manager for *Solar Manufacturing Corporation.* He will also serve as New England district manager, with headquarters in

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Mr. Akeroyd joins *Solar* after 14 years with the *Raytheon Manufacturing Company,* where he was manager of distributor sales.

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BERNARD BENSON was recently appointed purchasing agent in Detroit for the *Utah Radio Products Division* of *International Detrola Corporation.*

Mr. Benson was formerly assistant purchasing agent of *Utah* before that company was acquired by *Detrola.*

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NORMAN H. LAWTON has been elected to vice president in charge of sales for the two *Franklin* companies; the *A. W. Franklin Mfg. Corp.,* manufacturers of radio sockets, plugs, switches and assemblies and the *Franklin Airloop Corp.,* manufacturers of the new Airloop antennas. Both companies are in New York.



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ARROW SALES, INC., has begun business in their own new, large building at 59 West Hubbard Street in Chicago where they will stock all types of radio parts, equipment and supplies.

Rudy Weiss has dissolved *Arrow Radio Company* and become president of the *Arrow Sales, Inc.* Ralph Sackley, former sales manager for the war assets of *Belmont Radio Corp.,* is secretary-treasurer of the firm.

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HOWARD J. SILBAR is assuming the duties of Jean H. DuBuque as coordinator of advertising and public relations for *Lear, Incorporated.* Mr. DuBuque left Lear to become new Director of Aviation for the City of Dallas, Texas.

For five years before entering the service in 1942, Mr. Silbar worked in the advertising and public relations department of *Burroughs Adding Machine Company* in Detroit. Prior to that he was correspondent from Michigan for several national business papers.

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LYNN BRENDEL has been promoted to the post of general service manager of the *Hallicrafters Company* of Chicago. Mr. Brendel will be responsible for the servicing of all *Hallicrafter* equipment and the operation of the company's six service centers throughout the country.



Mr. Brendel was previously associated with *United Motors Service* as a sales and service engineer, and later with the *Bendix Radio Corporation* in Detroit as a sales and research engineer, from which post he moved to the position of sales engineer in the com-

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EMERSON RADIO AND PHONOGRAPH CORPORATION, New York City, has announced the acquisition of 100% of the authorized and issued capital stock of *Plastimold Corp.,* Attleboro, Mass.

The *Plastimold Corporation,* for many years manufacturers of plastic radio cabinets in addition to fabricating a variety of molded plastic products, will serve as a wholly owned subsidiary of *Emerson Radio.* The corporation will continue with the present operating personnel and will maintain the same policies. -30-

Selenium Rectifiers

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side, denoted by a "+" sign, is equivalent to the cathode while the negative side functions as the plate. Soldering the stack into the set in this manner constitutes the entire replacement operation unless the filament of the tube was linked to other parts of the circuit, in which case a resistor is used to replace the rectifier tube filament.

Installation of the miniature #403D2625 selenium rectifier can be made right in the customer's home as indicated in Figs. 1-6. The set shown is a typical three powered portable using a 117Z6 rectifier. As is evident from the schematic of the power supply (Fig. 7) the filament of this tube is not interlocked with any other component in the set. Therefore it is only necessary to insert the stack into the circuit along the lines outlined in the previous paragraph. Solder the positive side to the cathode terminal on the tube socket, the negative side to the plate terminal, and the installation is over.

Only four tools are required to perform the entire 7 minute operation,—a soldering iron, screw driver, socket wrench, and a pair of long nose pliers. First the chassis is withdrawn from the cabinet and the tube is removed from the socket (Fig. 2). Extension leads are then soldered on the rectifier stack. It is recommended that the positive lead be covered with red wire so as to distinguish it from the negative lead, which is usually made yellow or black (Fig. 3).

At this point it should be noted that, whenever possible, the stack should be installed underneath the chassis. However, in this case, as is the case with many portables, though the stack is only 1¼" x 1¼" x 1 1/16", it did not fit underneath the chassis and was inserted from above in the space that was formerly occupied by the tube. In this latter case some type of protective covering must be provided.

Fig. 4 shows the leads which were drawn through center of the tube socket and soldered to the appropriate pins, the red lead to the cathode terminal and the yellow one to the plate terminal. The set is then turned on and if the rectifier has been installed correctly, it should start operating immediately, (Fig. 5). Finally a protective covering, which is supplied with the rectifier, is placed around the stack and tightened to the chassis via a screw and nut (Fig. 6). The chassis is then put back in cabinet and the job is done.

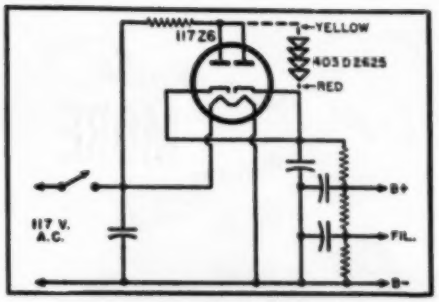


Fig. 7. Schematic diagram shows method of substituting a selenium rectifier for a conventional 117Z6 tube.

After insulation of the rectifier, check filament voltage. If this is too high for normal tube operation, insert a 27 ohm resistor in the line just before the rectifier to bring the operating voltage of the filament back to normal.

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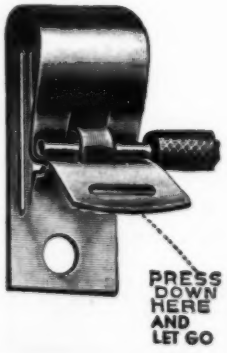
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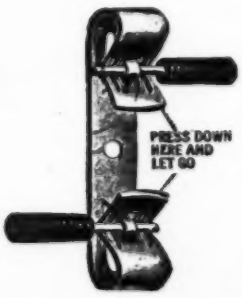


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Television Receivers

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screen area with the width control full advanced.

3. *Vertical Deflection.* A failure in the vertical deflection circuit is indicated when only a thin horizontal line appears on the fluorescent screen or when it is impossible to cover the screen area with the height control full advanced.

4. *R.F. Section.* A failure in the r.f. section of the receiver is indicated when the scanning raster is normal but there is no sound or picture signal. This could also be an antenna defect.

5. *Sound Channel.* A sound channel failure is indicated when there is no sound but a normal picture.

6. *Picture I.F. Channel.* A picture i.f. channel failure is generally indicated by a normal sound but no picture and no locking-in of the scanning raster. Locking-in of the scanning raster causes the dimensions of the entire raster to decrease slightly when the contrast control is advanced to the point where the sync pulses lock-in the sweep oscillators.

7. *Video Amplifier.* A failure in the video amplifier is indicated by a normal sound and a locked-in scanning raster but no picture or just a trace of one with the contrast control full advanced.

8. *Synchronizing Circuits.* A failure in the synchronizing circuits is indicated by what seems to be a strong signal (abundance of blacks and whites on the picture tube screen) but general instability and inability to maintain a stationary image.

Bench-Checking Receiver

For bench-checking the receiver, a good antenna system should be available as well as a means for grounding the chassis. Proper grounding is necessary to protect the serviceman in case of a high voltage leak between primary and secondary windings of the high-voltage transformer. The antenna system should be trouble-free so the serviceman can be certain any defect is a fault of the receiver and not the antenna system.

Inasmuch as tube failure is the most frequent trouble, the tubes of the defective section should be checked first. In fact, checking all tubes throughout the receiver is a good first step. If the defective part cannot be located by a careful mechanical inspection of the defective section, voltage measurements should be made. However, before making any tests with the receiver turned on, disconnect the high-voltage transformer. In some receivers this means unsoldering a high-voltage lead as prescribed by the manufacturer, while in others it is only necessary to remove the primary fuse from the high-voltage transformer primary. So far as defects in the high-voltage circuits are concerned, they can all be located by resistance measurements or mechanical inspection with the equipment turned off.

Inasmuch as the number of types of television receivers which will reach the market this year will be limited, it would be of great benefit to the serviceman if he would find out as much as he could about a representative model of each line and draw up a trouble chart. The trouble chart presented herewith does not cover all, or even a large percentage, of the troubles that could occur. Its value lies in the fact that it evolves a procedure and develops an understanding of the techniques which can be employed to localize trouble. The trouble chart, Table 1, lists common faults found in most types of television receivers. A typical picture channel, General Electric HM-171, was published on page 52 of the June, 1946 issue.

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Table 1. This is a continuation of the table appearing on page 53.

VIDEO AMPLIFIER	
DEFECT	**CHECK**
1. No picture on screen. Scanning raster locked-in. Sound normal.	a. Video amplifier tubes. b. Voltage check video amplifier.
2. Loss of definition as indicated by blurring of lines on test pattern. The r.f. and i.f. response patterns are normal.	a. Substitute video amplifier tubes. b. Voltage check video amplifier. Check component parts (coupling capacitors and peaking coils).
3. Weak picture with light range reversed — whites are black; blacks, white.	a. One stage inoperative. Check plate circuits for open. Check tubes.
4. Hum (heavy black bars).	a. Voltage and resistance check for shorted plate load resistor, and open or partially shorted bypass capacitor.

200 Watt Transmitter

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Tune the plate circuit of the second 6L6GA and the plate circuit of the 809s to 20 meters in the same manner as outlined previously.

For 40 and 80 meter operation the 809s may be excited directly from the v.f.o. output. The coils used in the second doubler plate circuit and the plate circuit of the 809s should tune to the same frequency as that of the v.f.o. output. An open phone jack may be inserted in each of the 6L6GA cathode current jacks or the 400 volt power supply may be turned off; the doubler circuits are not required when the 809s are excited directly from the v.f.o.

If crystal control operation is desired, place the crystal in the 5-prong coil socket as shown in Fig. 1. Turn the plate circuit of the first 6L6GA for minimum plate current and then detune the circuit slightly on the *high-frequency* side of resonance. This improves the stability of the crystal oscillator. It must be remembered that no frequency doubling takes place in the first 6L6GA circuit when using crystal control; the plate circuit is tuned to the same frequency as that of the crystal. The second 6L6GA, however, is a doubler. For operation on 80 meters, it will be necessary to use a 160 meter crystal; for operation on 40 meters, an 80 meter crystal must be used. When using 40 and 20 meter crystals for 20 and 10 meter operation respectively, it is necessary to be very careful to make certain that doubler is tuned to *two* times the crystal frequency and not to some other harmonic. Use the wavemeter as outlined before, for checking.

The approximate dial settings and coil combinations for the four amateur bands are given in the accompanying tables. Table 3 is for v.f.o. operation. Table 2 is for crystal control operation. In making up the coil combinations for the v.f.o. table it is assumed that the v.f.o. unit will supply at least *10 watts output power* on the 80 and 40 meter amateur bands.

Rear view of completed transmitter. An external power supply is required.





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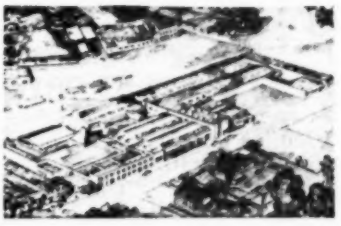
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Almost any good antenna can be used with this transmitter. The author used a pair of half-waves in-phase with 33 foot feeders on the 10 meter band. Stations on the West Coast of the U.S.A. and Europe were contacted from a location in central Pennsylvania. The ends of the 33 foot feeders were connected to the final tank link coil terminals, no coupling device whatever being used. The antenna was about 38 feet above ground.

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Aircraft Radio
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which replaces the military transmitter. (This is a fifty watt transmitter and receiver unit). This group can be seen to the left of the center of the control panel. See illustration Fig. 5, shown on page 27.

3. Tuning and audio controls for a single military range receiver having a frequency range of 195 to 550 kilocycles. These controls were removed from the military control box, and can be seen to the right of the center (Fig. 5).

4. "Audio On-Off" switches (one for each of the receivers, ADF, range receiver and communications receiver) are provided for each of the pilots. These are located along the lower edge of the control panel at each end of the panel.

5. Two hybrid transformers which provide dual audio outputs from the ADF and range receiver. (The communications receiver unit already has dual audio channels).

6. Two auto-transformers to provide impedance matching from high to low impedance as required with some models of military receivers.

It can be seeen that all controls are ahead of the pilots' line of vision and complete separation of the audio facilities have been provided. Reasonable cleanness has been gained, too. The remote crank for a trailing wire antenna reel is within easy reach of both pilots. Space for this control was made by relocating the ADF control box to the left of its original position. The military transmitter control was also removed. A comparison with the original cockpit layout can be made by referring to Fig. 2.

An "Unmodified" Cockpit Layout

In contrast to the modified installation as just illustrated compare the foregoing with the new control panel shown in Fig. 7. This is an engineered unit starting with a completely new set of radio gear. Nothing makeshift has been required. A single unit takes the place of the several controls required in the modification. The entire radio system was treated as a unit and engineered from that standpoint. The advantages gained are obvious, but a few should be pointed out such as; a very clean cockpit with all radio controls ahead of the pilots' line of vision; ease of installation; complete

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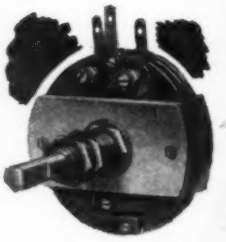
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6. Channel selector, transmit-interphone switches, and indicator light for a ten channel crystal controlled communications unit. The channel selector switch automatically operates an antenna changeover relay on those channels on which a trailing wire is used if this type antenna is included.

7. Microphone and headset jacks located for convenient routing of the microphone and headset cords. These do away with the need for any external jack boxes.

An easily installed mounting base is used. Four captive screws are used to secure the panel to the mounting base. Mechanical tuning shafts are well routed from the controls back to the receivers. "On-Off" switches are combined with the receiver function switches, marker receiver "Hi-Lo" sensitivity switch and the communications unit channel selector switch.

Installation Problems

The radio system controlled by this panel approaches in completeness those carried by commercial airlines. And now that an outline of the problems to be answered has been made let us get into the problems confronting the engineer from the actual installation standpoint.

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In low and high frequency transmitter work the problem of antennas will likely remain as one of the greatest stumbling blocks to good transmitter efficiency. Due to the small physical sizes of the medium weight aircraft in use a single, straight wire of even thirty feet in length is difficult to obtain without many compromises.

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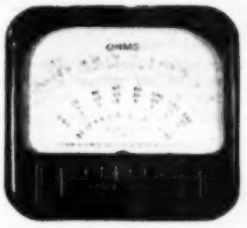
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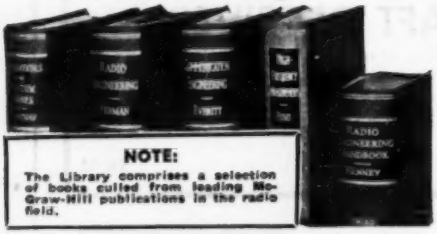
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Unless the lead-in is made at some angle greater than sixty degrees to the straight portion of the antenna the total electrical length is effectively shortened. In this particular case a well spaced lead-in back through the fuselage to a point just ahead of the horizontal stabilizer can be installed to allow the lead-in to depart from the fuselage at close to a ninety degree angle (reducing capacity) and feed the overhead portion of the communications antenna at close to a ninety degree angle. Even though the lead-in is longer and inside the fuselage, an over-all improvement in effectiveness of the antenna can be obtained as compared with an antenna whose lead-in within the fuselage is short, but which departs from the fuselage and feeds the overhead portion of the antenna at comparatively sharp angles. Further improvement in the characteristics may be obtained by carrying the overhead portion of the communications antenna over the nose of the aircraft. A short mast, erected as far forward on the nose as possible, is used to anchor the forward end of the communications antenna. That is, of course, if the pilot's objection is not too great! By finishing such a mast in dull black the reflection becomes nil, and actual obstruction to vision is not nearly as much as would be thought.

The writer's experience has shown that an antenna such as just described "loads" almost like a standard communications antenna on a *Douglas* DC-3, but of course, the radiation is not nearly as good with equal power. In practice a fifty watt transmitter working into an antenna with a nose mast gave coverage of at least 75 miles on the congested itinerant frequency channel, 3105 kilocycles. "Clear channels" such as used by commercial operators extend this range by several times. (See Fig. 3.)

On most of the smaller, single engined craft it is often necessary to depart from a single wire and revert to the "clothes line" system of stringing wires from wingtips to tail, etc. With high speed aircraft (over 180 miles per hour) many serious disadvantages present themselves. It is entirely possible that mechanical resonance between the aircraft structure and the antenna might occur. Vibration of the antenna wire in the windstream could then cause antenna

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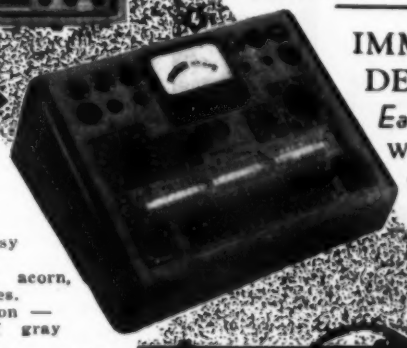
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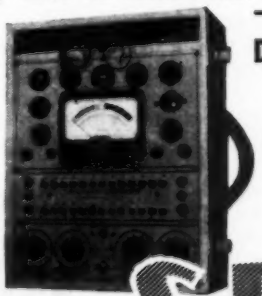
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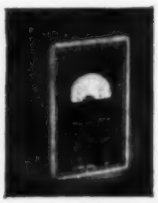


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Trailing Wire Antennas: Trailing wire antennas are very often the only answer to a highly efficient transmitter system. Unfortunately they are not only inconvenient to the crew, causing additional work for them, but present actual danger to those on the ground in case the antenna weight is lost while in flight or when the antenna is not reeled when landing (forgetfulness on the pilot's part is not always to blame!). A solid weight of any kind is unstable aerodynamically and will oscillate especially as it is being reeled in. Damage to the aircraft structure results if the weight strikes the ship. Unless the fairlead is properly located the wire may foul some part of the landing gear, controls, pitot masts, etc. A piece of one-inch open link chain weighing approximately a pound, although not good in appearance (see Fig. 6), will not whip or oscillate. A string of lead beads on a section of flexible cable is perfectly stable at all speeds. Neither of these require a swivel to prevent twisting of the antenna wire as do any of the drag cup or windsock type antenna "Drags." Rubber balls and windsocks are very popular with small aircraft, but a strong swivel must be used even at the lower speeds if it is to last very long.

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antennas or balanced "V" antennas with a vertical lead-in are preferred for receivers working on the 200 to 400 kilocycle band due to more symmetrical "cone-of-silence" characteristics over the radio range stations (nondirective reception). It is not always possible to attain this due to mechanical mounting problems, etc., and fortunately, when a 75 megacycle marker receiver is used the importance of the cone-of-silence indication is of less importance. In addition better signal pickup is obtained with the same length of antenna used as an "L" type rather than a "T" or "V" type antenna. A "T" or "V" antenna should have at least eight feet on each leg for satisfactory service and be as well spaced from the fuselage as possible. An "L" type approximately ten or twelve feet long will prove adequate for most range receivers. The distortion of the cone-of-silence due to directivity, is not often so serious as to make it useless in case the marker receiver is not used.

Whip antennas have excellent characteristics, but there are two major objections to their use. The first is their small size (approximately 5½ to 6 feet) which is not great enough for adequate signal pickup under all conditions. The second is breakage. An "L" antenna for long distance work and a whip for close in radio range work has been used with very good results. However, an antenna changeover relay is required. Where possible the range receiver antenna should be located on the belly of the aircraft in order to reduce to a minimum blanketing of the signal by the aircraft and allow direct path reception. Small ground clearances and hazards to ground crews will not always make belly mounting practical.

The ADF sense antenna will work most satisfactorily if it meets the requirements as outlined above and at the same time passes directly over and in line with the loop antenna. Minor departures from such installation have been made in many cases which work perfectly. Automatic compass action is difficult to predict and ADF bearing reversals may occur where extreme unbalance of loop sense antenna location exists. An "L" antenna approximately ten feet in length passing over the loop housing with four inches or more clearance will produce very good results.

Proper operation of the marker receiver is dependent to a large degree upon the placement of the marker antenna with respect to all surrounding objects including other antennas, landing gear, etc. The antenna should be horizontal in flying position of the aircraft and the external lead-in short and vertical. A half wavelength or approximately 76 inches is used. The position of the tap must be determined by the spacing between the antenna and the aircraft structure. A fifty ohm coaxial line is used for a lead-in inside the fuselage. The coaxial cable shielding must be grounded directly at the point of entry of the external

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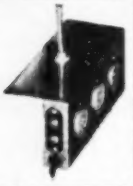
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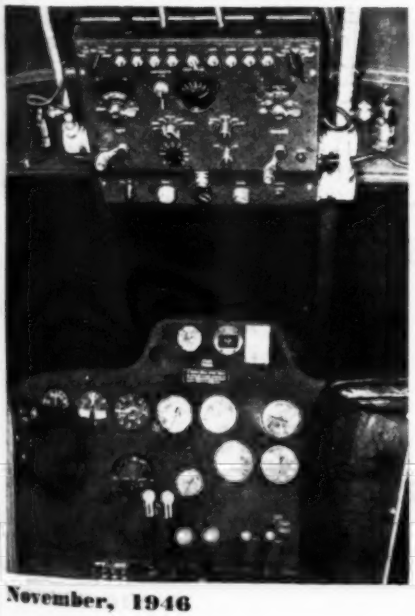
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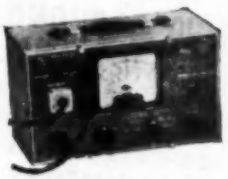
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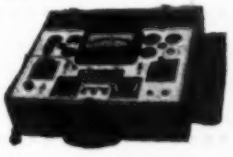
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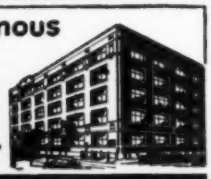
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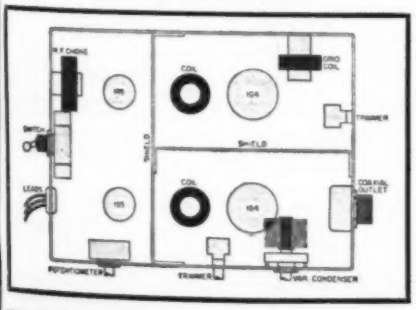
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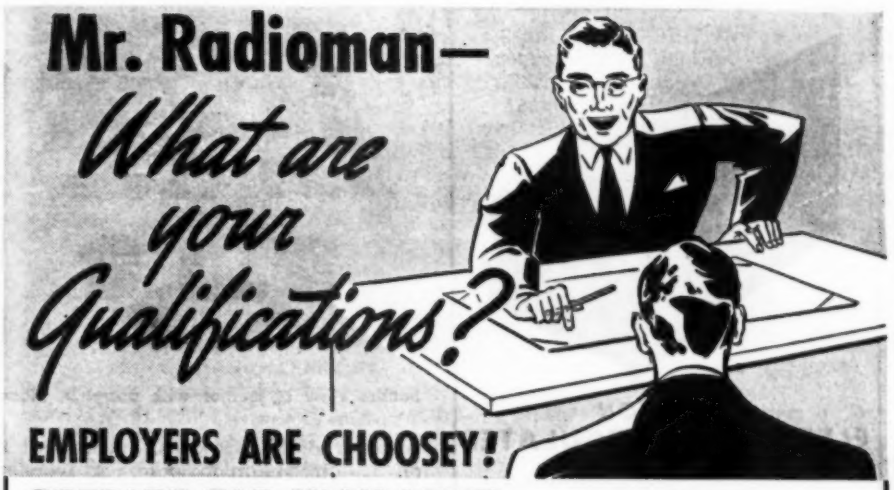
chassis is necessary, and this should now be screwed on. Metal shields should also be provided for the four tubes. Another very useful, and almost essential, addition is a two or three foot length of metal braid attached to the chassis. This is held in one hand while operating and prevents annoying body capacity between the chassis and the operator.

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After mounting a couple of solder lugs in the center, connect a suitable length of low-capacity coaxial cable (5 feet of RG62U was used by the writer) and test with the complete unit. If everything proves to be satisfactory soak the loop in hot wax, mount two other circular pieces of phenolic top and bottom as a cover, and fill the edges with plastic wood or other similar compound. Finally coat the whole loop unit with shellac for

Fig. 2. Chassis layout.





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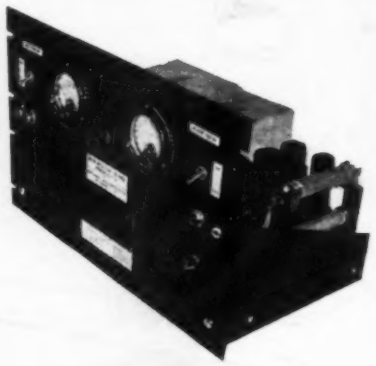
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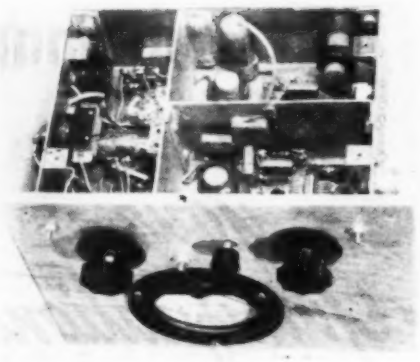
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Bottom view of locator with panel in place.

waterproofing purposes, and mount it on a long bamboo pole. A wooden dowel and supports for angle adjustment, as shown, are additional refinements.

It should be borne in mind that the ultimate frequency is set by the plate inductance of the fixed oscillator. This has no variable trimmer, and therefore all other tuned circuits are resonated with this one.

The added capacity of shielded leads, such as the loop antenna cable, must be watched carefully, and it will be noted that in the original schematic the writer has deleted the fixed shunt capacitor in the grid circuit of the variable oscillator in order to balance up the loading of the antenna cable.

The complete set is mounted in a wooden (or aluminum) box with meter on the top panel. The chassis is screwed to this panel and the batteries lie in the bottom of the box. Ninety volts of light-duty "B" batteries and 1½ volts "A" battery are required. At the expense of a heavier "A" battery drain, the 1G4 oscillators may be replaced by the more powerful 3A5 miniature tube (with two halves in parallel) if desired.

A strap is attached to the two sides of the box, and then slung over one shoulder. Holding the loop a few inches from the ground, the operator moves very slowly along until the meter needle dips towards zero. He then calls his wife with her pick and shovel, and the fun begins.

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International Short-Wave

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Some new models, now in production, are expected to have both meters and megacycles on the dials. The economic situation in Sweden has been good and therefore the high prices haven't mattered a great deal."

Short-wave listening has received widespread publicity in Sweden. Short-wave stations are often introduced by the Swedish Radio, while the radio publications, *"Roster i Radio"* and *"Kortvags-Lyssnaren,"* frequently feature illustrated, lengthy articles from the short-wave stations, along with instructive material. In addition, the leading newspapers—*"Dagens Nyheter," "Stockholm Tidningen"* and *"Aftonbladet"*—are introducing actual radio stations abroad to their readers. Current short-wave station lists are published regularly by *"Roster i Radio," "Kortvags-Lyssnaren,"* and by the manufacturer of *Radiola,* one of the leading receivers in Sweden.

"This kind of publicity is of great importance," comments Mr. Skoog. "And it seems likely that no other country goes so far in publicity on DXing."

A group of short-wave enthusiasts banded together early in 1944 under the name, *Sveriges Radioklubb* (The Radio Club of Sweden). Shortly, the membership reached 1500 members scattered all over the country. Meetings were arranged in Stockholm, attended by hundreds of visitors. Small affiliated local clubs were also founded in several rural cities and towns. While the parent organization has not been active for some time, many of the small local clubs are going on with their activities. Swedish short-wave fans also hold memberships in clubs in other lands, particularly the *Universal Radio DX Club* in the United States.

Broadcasts in the Swedish language from abroad form another good reason for the keen interest of short-wave listeners in Sweden. For the benefit of Swedish-speaking readers, Mr. Skoog lists some of these transmissions in Swedish (in GMT; add one hour for Swedish Time):

New York—NBC broadcasts *daily* programs at 1730-1745 over WGEA/WGEO, 15.330, and WBOS, 15.210.

London—*Daily* programs in Swedish are radiated by the BBC at 1830 on 307 meters and on short-wave frequencies of 7.150, 9.675, and 11.800.

Moscow—*Radio Centre* broadcasts two daily 30-minute programs in Swedish—at 1915-1945 and 2015-2045, respectively, on 6.100, 7.165, 9.720, and 9.780.

Paris—The *daily* program for Sweden is heard at 1945-2000 on 463 meters and on the short-wave frequency of 9.560.

Quito—With more listeners in Sweden than in any other part of the world, HCJB now transmits three regular weekly programs in Swedish—Sundays, Tuesdays, Thursdays at 2130-2200 on 9.958, 12.455, and 15.100.

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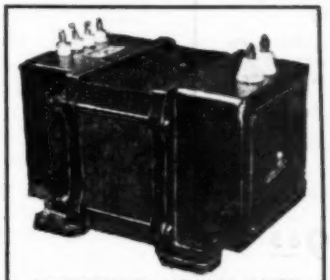
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Radiotjanst

The verification card now being sent out by the Swedish Radio lists this information:

"Sveriges Radio" is the announcing call used in the Swedish radio programs. As an interval signal, an old melody from Dalarna Province is employed. The Swedish Broadcasting Corporation, *Radiotjanst*, is a semi-state institution and commenced its activities in January, 1925. In January, 1946, receiver licenses numbered 1,840,000 (the entire population of Sweden is 6,600,000). At present, Sweden has the largest number of licenses in relation to population of any country in Europe. The Swedish Radio broadcasts a common program over 33 stations, generally on Sundays and holidays from 7-22 GMT (2 a.m.-5 p.m. EST) and other days from 6.15 to 7.15 and from 11 to 22 GMT (1:15-2:15 a.m. and 6 a.m.-5 p.m. EST). There are also two 12 kw. short-wave transmitters in Motala, through which special programs for listeners abroad are broadcast daily at 1-2 and 15-16 GMT (8-9 p.m. and 10-11 a.m. EST). Calls listed on the card are SDT-2, 15.665; SBT, 15.155; SBP, 11.705; SDB-2, 10.780; SBU, 9.535; SDT, 9.4425; SBO, 6.065; and SDB, 5.7325. (At the present time, SBT, 15.155, is the one best heard in the United States, especially at 10-10:55 a.m. *daily* in the North American beam.)

A letter just in from Y. Samsioe, an official of *Radiotjanst*, informs us that the Swedish short-wave services are now in the process of being completely reorganized. "As you have possibly heard," he explains, "the Government has granted us a rather large sum of money for extending out shortwave services through stronger transmitters and so on. This, however, will take some years to accomplish and during that time we shall have to go on with our old transmitters. Nevertheless, from about the beginning of November of this year, we are going to increase our transmissions by 50 per cent—and, above all, to introduce special programs for short-wave listeners all over the world.

"As you certainly understand, we have had enormous difficulties to overcome and our short-wave service has suffered by them, but now the situation has brightened considerably and we are trying to get in contact with short-wave listeners in every corner of the world.

"We promise to answer all listeners' reports promptly and to give information about Sweden and the Swedish Radio. We want the Swedish Radio to attain a high regard and good will in your country and all over the world. I feel that no effort should be spared when the establishment of lasting and useful short-wave contacts is concerned. Sweden has made up her mind to become a first-rate short-wave country."

Describing the operations of *Radiotjanst*, Mr. Samsioe pointed out that the cost of the entire broadcasting service in Sweden is defrayed out of license revenues. Commercial advertising is not practiced by the Swedish Radio. "The Swedish Radio has expanded rapidly during the two decades of its existence, and, as in other countries, it performs an important service in promoting popular enlightenment and in the distribution of news, as well as being a vehicle for high-quality entertainment," he continued. "In 1939, this country was able to record the highest number of licenses per 1000 inhabitants in Europe, surpassing in that respect her competitors, Denmark and Great Britain. Sweden still holds that position. The license fee amounts to 10 kronor a year. The Telegraph Commissioners assume responsibility for the technical arrangements, while the program activities are carried out by the Corporation, *Radiotjanst*, in which the Press and the leading firms of the radio industry are partners."

The principles formulated by the Swedish Government for drawing up the programs require that the transmissions be varied and entertaining; moreover, they should be of a high intellectual, cultural, and artistic standard and should be characterized by reliability, objectivity, and impartiality. Popular education and popular enlightenment should be promoted, and efforts should be made to establish and maintain as intimate cooperation as is possible with the musical and popular educational organizations which are supported by public funds. Expressions of opinion on political subjects of topical interest may be broadcast, provided it is open to different trends of opinion to expound their views.

Programs of *Radiotjanst* have undergone considerable expansion during the last few years. The transmission period at present amounts to about 4000 hours per year—an average of 11 hours a day. The organization preparing the programs has been extended and improved. The international exchange of programs—particularly between the Northern Countries—has been on a large scale since the end of the war.



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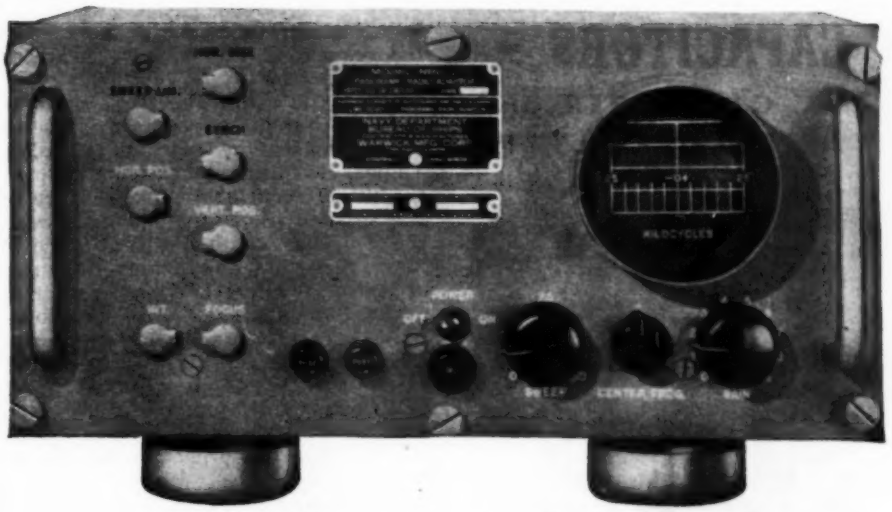
In its talks programs, *Radiotjanst* seeks to meet the many requirements and demands as expressed in various trends of taste and different classes of society by dividing the broadcasts into groups and subjects. Topical events are commented on in special talks and interviews as well as in regular surveys (foreign policy, new legislation, Parliamentary news, new books, and the like). There are also agricultural talks, talks for housewives, and lectures on academic subjects. Approximately 170,000 pupils in about 4000 schools listen to the School Radio Broadcasts, and to meet the needs of adult education, there are popular educational lectures on Sunday mornings, series of talks especially intended for "groups of listeners," as well as language courses and talks in foreign languages. Light is thrown on questions of the day through discussions between representatives of various shades of opinion. From its own publishing department, *Radiotjanst* issues textbooks for language courses, lecture series, school-radio handbooks, and books of other sorts.

By means of readings from works representative of various fields of literature, the radio aims—apart from giving mere diversion—to promote the people's cultural development. A large number of newly-published books are presented to listeners in this way.

One item appreciated widely is the programs concerned with religious education. The Sunday services and the devotional broadcasts are apportioned as between the State Church and the Free Church communities in consultation with the most important trends of ecclesiastical opinion.

Many of the programs are taken up with reports from the Swedish provinces and industries, as well as with interviews with typical and original representatives of different occupational and population groups. Since it is frequently possible to record these program items, a valuable and interesting body of material regarding the Swedish people's mode of living and way of talking is being preserved for the benefit of future research and for posterity.

The Swedish Radio's news service is highly developed. News is broadcast three times daily direct from the Newspapers' Telegram Bureau. Weather reports from the State Meteorological-Hydrographical Institute are heard four times a day. The Radio also al-



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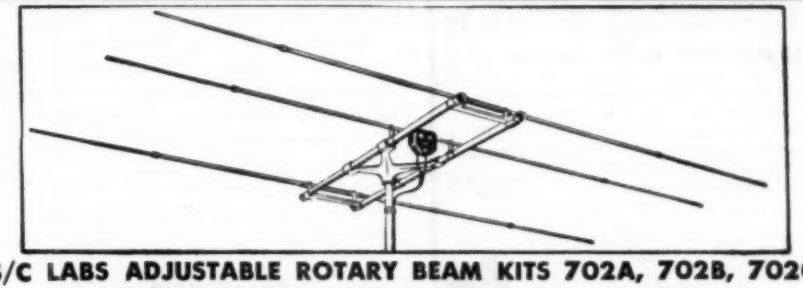
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The Radio-Theatre is a most popular form of dramatic art in Sweden. As a rule, at least one major and several minor theatrical performances are given each week. The Royal Dramatic Theatre in Stockholm and the Municipal Theatre at Gothenburg have undertaken by contract that their artists collaborate with the Radio-Theatre in providing a certain number of performances each year. Some of the Radio-Theatre's performances are adapted for study circles.

A wide provincial organization—comprising program managers and radio agents in most of the major towns and at practically all of the local broadcasting stations—guarantees that the Swedish provinces contribute to an all-round National Program. Program managers at the larger stations are moreover allowed to broadcast local programs of a specifically provincial character or of special local interest.

For the benefit of Swedes living abroad, *Radiotjanst* broadcasts about 13 hours per week a specially-compiled program on short-wave. These broadcasts include music, reports from industries, news and short comments on the Riksdag (Parliament), cultural progress, economics and trade, and so on. In addition to these short-wave programs—intended mainly for Swedes living in North America—there is broadcast once a week the *"Swedish Chronicle"* for the benefit of Swedes living abroad on the Continent of Europe, as well as foreign-language broadcasts each weekday evening.

Further, lists of the names of foreigners evacuated to Sweden during the final phases of the war are read in special short-wave broadcasts. Regular radio programs have also been arranged (including entertainment and news) in about ten different languages for the benefit of refugees in Sweden.

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halls. Power lines have been reconstructed in order to improve the quality of broadcast transmissions, while the broadcasting stations have modernized or redesigned their equipment altogether. Apparatus for steel-band recording, wax-recording blanks, magnetophones, and lacquer-recording blanks, as well as other up-to-date equipment, is now available in quantity for broadcasting in Sweden. Some of this equipment is installed in the five reporting cars belonging to *Radiotjanst*, one of them being equipped with a frequency-modulated ultra-short-wave transmitter for use in reporting work.

During 1946, work was started on the construction of a Broadcasting House in Stockholm. It will be completely modern, will contain 15 major studios, three of them concert halls with accommodations for audiences of 1000, 500, and 250, respectively. The aggregate size of the Broadcasting House will be 134,000 cubic meters. The actual building—which is expected to be completed in 1949—will cost 14,600,000 kronor; the technical equipment, 3,900,000 kronor; acoustics, 982,000 kronor; and the building site, 7,700,000 kronor.

In January, 1945, a Government Commission appointed to investigate the present and future requirements of the Swedish Radio, presented its report, which contains comprehensive recommendations for three simultaneous programs; this would be made possible by establishing over the entire country a high-frequency wired wireless network over telephone lines—a technical method that is best suited to a country with Sweden's geographical and demographical conditions. The Commission had previously recommended the erection of two new short-wave transmitters of 100 kw. each, and the above-mentioned Broadcasting House.



Arne Skoog, Swedish DX-er who will act as master of ceremonies for the November 24th broadcast dedicated to Radio News readers and ISW listeners.

Regarding the position of the Swedish Radio in the community, the Commission made this observation: The independence of those in charge of broadcasting—their relative exemption from control, both formally and actually, by authorities and official bodies—is a primary interest. The broadcasting Corporation, representing a semi-State-owned monopoly, should, as far as possible, be ensured the enjoyment of all the advantages of a private publicity undertaking without its self-evident loyalty to the State being disregarded on that account.

From this outline, it is clear that the already highly-developed Swedish Radio will continue to expand and progress.

Radio Publications

Among the popular radio publications in Sweden are these:

"Roster i Radio" (Voices in Radio)—This is the official Swedish program-paper, owned by the Swedish Radio Corporation, Radiotjanst; address, *"Roster i Radio,"* Jakobsgatan 7, Stockholm 16. Current paid circulation is 120,000. Published weekly, 40 pages. Contains Swedish Radio programs in detail with illustrations, articles, and a special column for short-wave listeners. Two or three times a year, it carries a comprehensive short-wave station list compiled by Arne Skoog.

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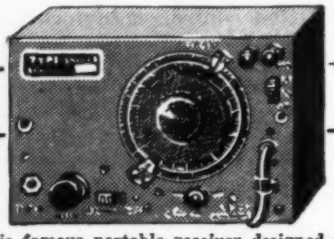
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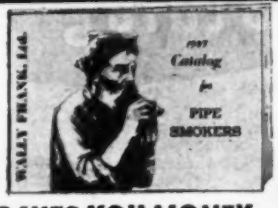
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"QTC"—This is a new house organ for S.S.A. (Sveriges Sandare Amatorer, or Swedish Sending Amateur-Association). Is just getting started and will be issued monthly for distribution *only* to members of S.S.A. free-of-charge. Address, Editor Ingenjor Hans Eliaeson, SM5WL, Jarnmalmsvagen 2, Traneberg, or S.S.A., Stockholm 8.

Facts About Sweden

Sweden occupies the eastern and largest part of the Scandinavian peninsula in northeastern Europe. The Government is a constitutional monarchy. The Riksdag (Parliament) has two Chambers—the first of 150 members, the second of 230 members. All persons—men and women—over 21 years of age are entitled to vote.

The King of Sweden is Gustav V, who succeeded on the death of his father, Oscar II. A Social Democratic Government rules the country; there is a Prime Minister.

Lakes and rivers are more numerous in Sweden than in any other European country except Finland. The Government's hydro-electric plant, Porjus, in Lapland many miles north of the Arctic Circle, the center of a vast iron mining section, has a capacity of 150,000 horsepower. The water power resources of the country are approximately 30,000,000,000 k.w.h.

Although of broken, mountainous topography, Sweden contains much productive land, well-watered, on which the Swedish people have attained high efficiency in agriculture. Half the people are on farms which number about 420,000, of which 120,000 are under five acres, and 270,800 are between five and 50 acres. Many trees, particularly in Lapland, are 120-160 years old. Of the vast forest area (about 58,000,000 acres), 45 per-cent is owned by farmers, 4 per-cent by large landed proprietors, 27 per-cent by companies having sawmills, pulp

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mills, and so on, and about 24 percent by the State. In forestry, lumbering, sawmills, and pulp mills, 265,000 men and women are regularly employed and 400,000 more obtain some part of their living therefrom. Fabrication of rayon and other textiles made of pulp has increased, and it has even been possible to produce cattle fodder from woodpulp.

About 10,000 people are engaged in the mining industry, which is most extensive north of the Arctic Circle. Swedish steel is of especial value in tool making. The iron and mechanical industry employs about 175,000; textiles, 80,000; and the paper industry, 60,000.

The population is very homogeneous, being entirely of the Scandinavian branch of the Aryan family, except about 20,000 Finns and 6500 Lapps. Most of the people are Lutheran Protestant, which is the State religion, but complete freedom of worship exists. Education is compulsory.

The Army has been enlarged with special attention paid to mechanization. Service is compulsory between the ages of 20 to 47. The Air Force has been increased to 16 wings. Sweden adopted a five-year defense plan in 1942 with annual cost estimated at 755,000,000 kronor. The Navy (1945) consists of four cruisers, seven coast defense craft, 21 destroyers, six torpedo-boats, 42 minesweepers, 28 submarines, 19 motor torpedo-boats, two minelayers and small craft. The personnel is approximately 10,000. The Swedish merchant marine numbered 2107 vessels of more than 20 tons (1944).

Sweden comprises 173,347 square miles and the 1944 population was listed at 6,522,827, now is approximately 6,600,000. Stockholm is the capital city.

Best Bets in Sweden

We are indebted to Sven Lindhe, Carl-Eric Petersson, and Lars-Olof Forsstrom for this list of "best bets" for Swedish listeners, given in Swedish time (Swedish time is 1 hour *ahead* of GMT, 6 hours *ahead* of EST):

Radio Andorra, 5.990/5, can be heard well around 1900-0000. OTC2, 9.745 (varying), Leopoldville, Belgian Congo, is best around 0115-0200. PCJ, 15.220, Hilversum, the Netherlands, heard well in Happy Station Programs, Sundays and Wednesdays, 1630-1800. FZI, 11.970, *Radio Brazzaville*, French Equatorial Africa, good to 0200.

CXA19, 11.835, Montevideo, Uruguay. HCJB, 12.455, Quito, Ecuador, 2200-0200. PRL7, 9.720, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, at 2100-0300. ZYC8, 9.610, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. ZYB8, 6.095, Sao Paulo, Brazil. LRX1, 6.120, Buenos Aires, Argentina. LRY, 9.455, *Radio Belgrano*, Buenos Aires, Argentina, 0000-0200. LRS, 9.315, *Radio Splendid*, Buenos Aires, Argentina, 2300-0000. LRX, 9.660, Buenos Aires, Argentina, 0000-0100.

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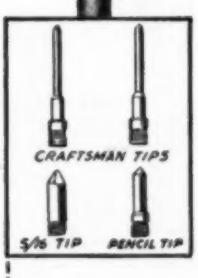
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In addition to the above, practically all the U.S. and the BBC stations are heard at good level in Sweden.

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Through the efforts of Arne Skoog, Sweden, and Bill Howe, short-wave editor of the *Universal Radio DX Club* in the United States, the *International League of Shortwave Editors* came into being at the end of 1945. They organized an exchange of information, with members in various parts of the world. Members in addition to Messrs. Skoog and Howe include Rex Gillett, DX Editor of *"Radio Call,"* South Australia; Arthur Cushen, a leading short-wave authority and contributor to radio publications, New Zealand; and Sr. Carlos Ramirez, short-wave editor of *"Radio Guia,"* Havana, Cuba. Mr. Skoog is chairman.

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Polskie Radio

From W. Pawlak, Chief, Foreign Liaison, *Polskie Radio*, Warsawa al. Stalina 31, comes this information:

"We have only one short-wave station, Warsaw III, situated at Raszyn, near Warsaw, using 7.5 kw. and scheduled, 9.5268, 9-10 a.m., and 6.1149, 1:55 p.m.-12 midnight." (*Note:* I believe schedule for the 6.1149 frequency is an error, for the mimeographed detailed schedules in *English* enclosed with Mr. Pawlak's letter, list the radiation as 1655-0300 Central European Time, or 9:55 a.m.-8 p.m. EST.) Details of schedules given were (converted to EST):

9:55 a.m.-1 p.m.—Transmission of the General Program. 1-1:10 p.m.—Interruption. 1:10-1:20 p.m.—Program for Yugoslavia. 1:20-1:30 p.m.—Interruption. 1:30-3 p.m.—Transmission of the General Program. 3-3:20 p.m.—News in *English*. 3:20-3:40 p.m.—News in Russian. 3:40-4 p.m.—News in French. 4-4:15 p.m. (Monday)—The UNRRA Mission in Poland (Bulletin); (Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday)—News in Yiddish. 4-5 p.m. (Wednesday, Friday)—Transmission of the General Program. 4:15-5 p.m. (Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday)—Transmission of the General Program. 5-8 p.m.—Press news by the Polish Press Agency PAP (at dictation speed).

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Mr. Pawlak continued, "We usually relay the General Program in Polish and as special broadcasts we give only news in *English*, French, Russian, Serbo-Croate, Yiddish. You will probably understand that in the actual conditions, it is impossible to give identification in *English* during broadcasts in other languages. *We send verifications and answer all questions put to us by listeners. An IRC is required, but even so, we always answer."* *Polskie Radio* issues publica-

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tions in *English*, Mr. Pawlak concluded: (Several nice photos of the installation at Raszyn, 17 km. from Warsaw, were forwarded; we hope to use them soon in ISW.)

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More Sunspot Activity

Renewed disturbance of ionosphere conditions, due to sunspot activity, played havoc with international short-wave reception the last week in July. Reports from all parts of the U. S. and Canada indicate that the severe magnetic storm all but blotted out s.w. reception for about four days. WWV, Bureau of Standards station in Washington, D.C., was inaudible much of the time, even at short distances.

As pointed out to me by Clyde P. Brockett, Department of Chemical Engineering, University of Toronto, "it is interesting to note that the BBC doesn't miss a trick. As usual, at the beginning of this period of disturbance, they announced the probability of poor radio reception 'for some time' because of 'disturbed ionosphere conditions.'" Mr. Brockett comments that "this is the sort of thing I should like to see radio stations do more of, especially since there must be plenty of reliable information these days in various quarters on disturbances of this nature from continuously-recording instruments."

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The Anti-Franco Radio

Carl Beck, New York, reports an "anti-Franco, anti-Phalangist Radio," 14.900, signing off at 5:33 p.m.; Spanish *only*.

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Club Notes

Australia—From H. J. Clark, secretary, V.R.I. Wireless Club (V.K.3RI), Victorian Railways Institute, Flinders Street Station Building, Melbourne, C1, Victoria, comes this data:

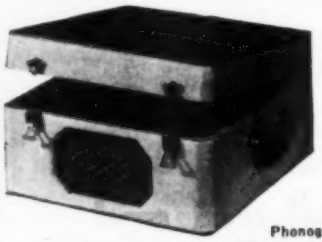
"The Victorian Railways Institute Wireless Club was formed in July, 1926, by railwaymen in Victoria who were interested in the amateur side of radio broadcasting. A transmitting license was granted to the Club in November of that year under the call-sign, V.K.3RI, the letters 'R.I.' being applied for by the Club as designating 'Railways Institute.' Broadcasting began on the 200-meter band immediately, and regular transmissions were made on week nights and on Saturday afternoons and Sunday mornings and afternoons, the programs being publicized at that time in the local weekly radio magazine, *'Listener In.'* Subsequently, the commercial broadcasting stations opened up the 200-meter band for commercial broadcasting, and in common with other amateurs, our Club was restricted in its hours on the air, and the only regular transmissions then carried on were on Sunday afternoons and at night, with irregular transmissions at other times. Concurrent with these restrictions, however, tranmisssions were conducted on the 20-, 40-, and 80-meter bands and later on 56 megs. (5-meter band). When the war commenced, all amateur broadcasting in Australia ceased and





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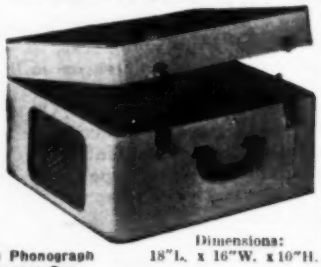
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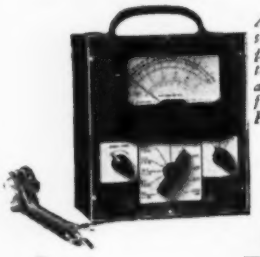
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"Present officers are: President, T. Ramsey; vice-presidents, W. Brennan and H. McBain; secretary, H. Clark; assistant secretary, R. Duncan; and treasurer, W. I. May. These officeholders are elected at the annual meeting held in July each year and are eligible for reelection. A Management Committee of 8 members is also chosen at the annual session. Officers of the Club are ex-officio members of that committee. The Club, of course, is an affiliate of the Victorian Railways Institute and operates under the Constitution of that Institute."

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DXers in the Eastern United States who are anxious to verify *all-continents*, will be pleased to learn that this is possible at this time in about 2 hours of *evening* listening and by sending out correct reception reports. I suggest:

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Asia—*All-India Radio*, 15.160 or 15.190, Delhi, 9:30 p.m. when *English* news is given with frequent announcements; address, All-India Radio, Delhi, India.

Australia—Tune *Radio Australia* on VLC9, 17.840, or VLA9, 21.60, at 8 p.m. when *English* news is featured; address, Radio Australia, Melbourne.

Europe—Here you can have your choice: Paris on 9.550 is excellent at 9 p.m. in *English* news period; Bern, 9.539, Switzerland, is also at fine level during its entire North American nightbeam, 8:30-10 p.m.; address for Paris is Radio Nationale Francais, Paris; for Switzerland, The Swiss Broadcasting Corporation, Berne.

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Morning *"best bets"* for *all-continents* include:

Africa—OTC5, 17.770, Leopoldville, Belgian Congo, *English* news at 8:30 and 11:30 a.m.; address given above.

Asia—*Radio SEAC,* 15.12, Colombo, Ceylon, best around 6-8 a.m.; *English* news at 6 and 7:30 a.m.; address, 191 Turret Road, Colombo, Ceylon.

Europe—London in the 25-, 19-, and 16-meter bands is "all over the place." Now verifies. Send 10 cents in unused postage stamps with your report to Bryan Hayes, Local BBC Representative, 8 Althorpe Crescent, New Bradwell, Bletchley, Bucks, England. Another European regularly beamed to North America is SBT, 15.155, Stockholm, Sweden, 10-11, a.m., usually with *English* news around 10:05 a.m.; some days has not been audible here lately, but reception from this quarter should improve as autumn advances. Sends out verie card now for first time. Address, Swedish Radio, or Radiotjanst, Stockholm, Sweden (Sverige).

North America—CKNC, 17.820, Sackville, N.B. (studios in Montreal, Quebec), usually heard well all morning; address, International Service, CBC, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

South America—HCJB, 12.455 or 9.958, Quito, Ecuador, is your "best bet" here, too, mornings. Heard around 6-8 a.m. with fine level; address given above.

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Verifications

So much interest is being shown in s.w. verifications these days, I am devoting some space to it each month.

Grady Ferguson, North Carolina, has received verification by airmail letter on NIGF, 9.065 and 18.530, Atom Bomb Expedition: "NIGF, the Army Communications Ship, 'Spindle Eye,' is the successor to the old 'Apache.' The call, WVLC, is now held by the 'Spindle Eye' but has been temporarily set aside for this operation. We are modulating dually, an RCA 7.5 kw. high-frequency voice transmitter, and 96C Wilcox 2.5 kw. Thanks for your interesting report of our signal. The 'Spindle Eye' is taking up a new position for test 'Baker' and will act as a relay to NICO and NCLG, *U.S.S. Mt. McKinley* and *Appalachian,* respectively." Ferguson reports he heard NIGF, 8.530, with this relay from 6:15 p.m. to their going off the air at 10:08 p.m., July 24, with only fair signal at beginning but improvement until it was good, with swings up to R6 toward the last. He did not give address for verification, but I will have the address by the time you read this; in case you're still interested, drop me a line.

Address for verification from JODK, 2.510, Seoul, Korea, is: Radio Department, Bureau of Public Information, Headquarters USAMGIK, A.P.O. No. 235, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, California; letter verification received in New Zealand was signed by James W. Browitt, assistant director. (Cushen)

Verification from the British Forces Network which operates from Hamburg, Germany, on 7.290, is Maj. J. F. Bassett, RA, No. 2 Field Broadcasting Unit, British Forces Network, British Army of the Rhine.

Mail address for KU5Q, Guam, is Box 10, Com-Marianas, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, California. A Texas correspondent, Buddy Giles, reports KU5Q is now using a form letter for verification.

Address of the new DTYC, 5.3025, Munich, Germany, is A.P.O. No. 170; has asked for reports; tests, 8-8:30 a.m.

Verifications are being sent out promptly by PCJ, Holland; reports are requested and will be acknowledged over the air in Eddie Startz's "Happy Station" programs. Address is PCJ, Postbus 150, Hilversum, Holland (The Netherlands).

The *Sharq-el-Adna* station (6.135, 6.710, 6.790) verifies from Jaffa, Palestine, with nice verification card.

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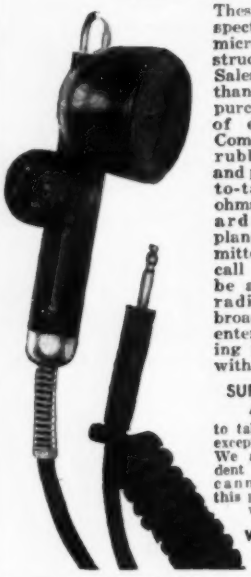


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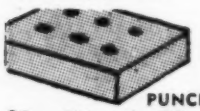
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Address of ZEA, 7.600, is G.P.O., Box 792, Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia.

Reports to *Radio Belgrad* should be addressed to Kneza Milosa 16/V, Belgrade, Yugoslavia.

The Klofta short-wave station in Norway answers reports from Klofta Kortboljerkringkaster, Oslo, Norway (Norge).

Although DXers in the U.S. (including myself) have been unable to get a verification from *Radio Eirrean,* Dublin, this reply has recently come to K. G. Frick, Sweden: "It is desired to thank you for your communication relative to reception of the Irish Short-Wave Br. Station on May 6th, 1946, and to confirm your reception reports. The Irish Short-Wave Br. Station, 1.5 kw., transmits daily 12:40-1 p.m. on 16.82 meters (17.84), and from 4:10 to 5:30 p.m. on 31.27 meters (9.595). We shall be glad at all times to receive reception reports from you." (Reports of mine addressed merely Radio Eirrean, Dublin, Eire, have not been returned, so it is presumed that address is sufficient. I did receive a reply to one letter, however, stating that their station would not be on the air for some time yet, but they did not verify my reception of reported 17.84. It is assumed they referred to a *new* station probably now under construction.)

Reception reports for *Radio Noumea* should be addressed in care of Le Chef de Cabinet du Gouverneur, Directeur du Service de l'Information, Noumea, New Caledonia (Nouvelle-Caledonie).

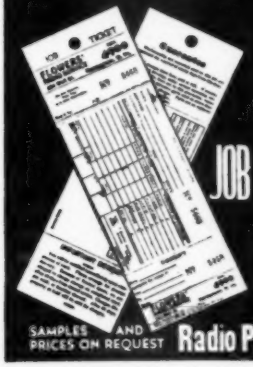
Bern, Switzerland, is now verifying with a nice card, not with a letter as formerly. (Legge, VRC) Merely address The Swiss Broadcasting Corporation, Berne, Switzerland.

Reports for verification by *All-India Radio* in Bombay, Calcutta, Madras, or Delhi, should be addressed to All-India Radio, Delhi, India.

"I have received a letter verification from *Radio Rangoon,* Burma. They seemed surprised to get a report of such excellent reception strength in Canada. They use a Marconi 7.5 kw. xmtr, with a Franklin Master Oscillator. The aerial is a center-fed dipole. Have also heard from Calcutta; they use a Phillips 10 kw. transmitter; the Calcutta engineer stated that the Delhi transmitters 'go as high as 100 kw.'" (Bromley)

Miss Eileen Reis, Program Director, "The Voice of America in North Africa," Algiers, reports: "Letter verifications are sent when correct reception reports are received, and an International Reply Coupon is appreciated. Reports should specify the frequency of the station heard, the time in GMT, the date, and as much program information as possible *(particularly the language in which the program is presented)* over as long a period of time as possible." (NOTE: These comments are good standard

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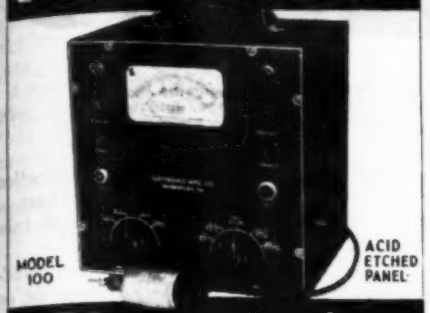
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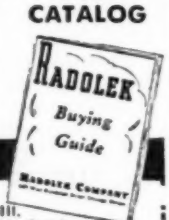
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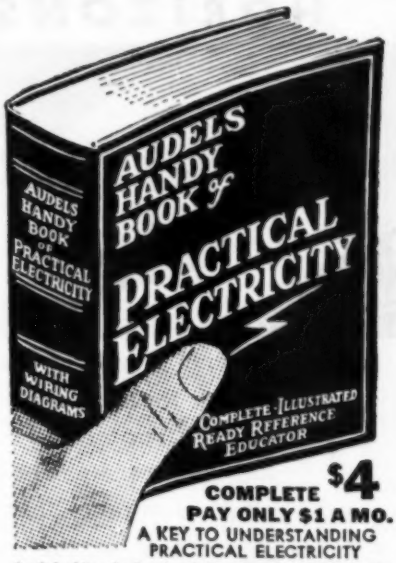
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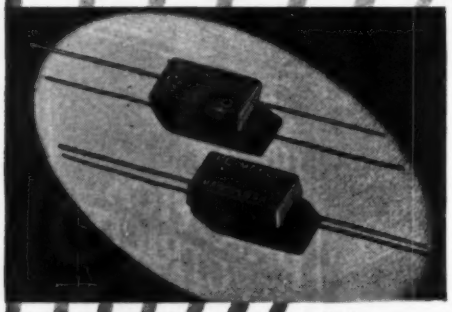
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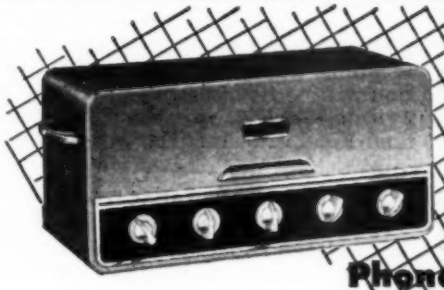
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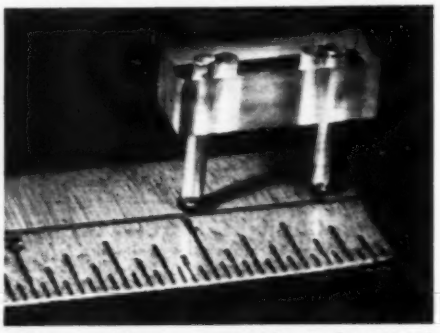
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without change on the new FM band.

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CRYSTAL HOLDER ADAPTER

A new service is offered to radio amateurs in the use of the new Crystal Holder Adapter announced recently by *Carl E. Mosley,* Overland 14, Mo.



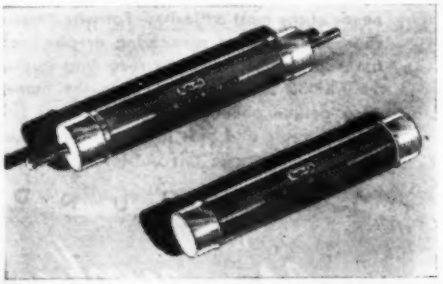
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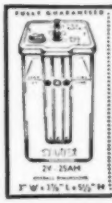
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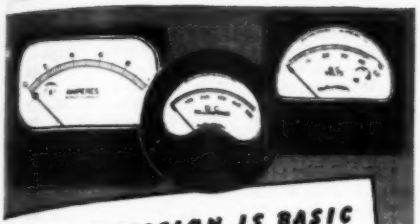
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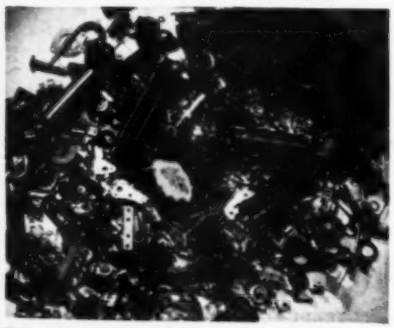
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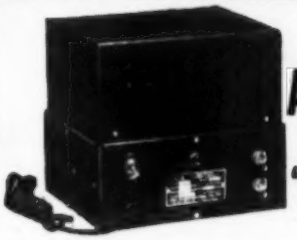
The tube is particularly adapted for high power AM transmitter applications where very low distortion levels are required.

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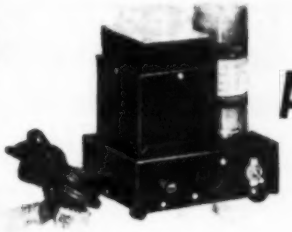
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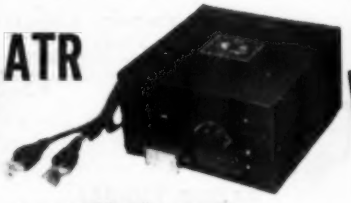
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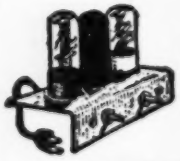
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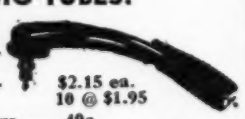


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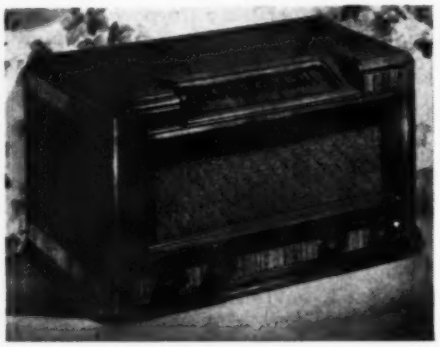


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Subscription-Lease Plan

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graphically demonstrated by their mobile workshop technique. The company also uses publication advertising, elaborate and richly colored literature and catalogues which during the course of years have been sent to every citizen of Switzerland.

A lottery idea which would probably be illegal in the United States was also used to supplement their sales promotion. In the Steiner lottery plan, the customer writes the address of a possible prospect on his premium card. Should the contract be closed with the prospect, the subscriber receives ten francs. He also has the right to check four numbers from the numbers 1-20 on his registration card. Every month, four numbers are drawn by lot and if the subscriber has picked the winning number, he receives an additional ten francs, two winning numbers, 25 francs; three winning numbers, 100 francs; four winning numbers, 500 francs. During the course of three years the company states they have paid out 500,000 francs but against this have earned a supplementary turnover of more than 10 million francs.

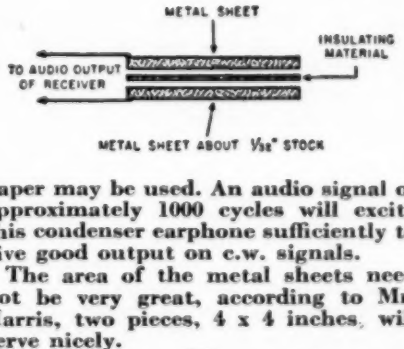
This alert and aggressive Swiss organization is extending its plan for the future with broad vision to include television and magnetic recording, but is clinging to the subscription idea as the main foundation of its business operation.

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Metal Analyzer

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"Various magnesium base alloys are made by melting together suitable amounts of various alloying elements. The final composition of such alloys must fall within rather narrow limits. The alloying metals of chief interest are aluminum calcium, manganese, zinc, iron. Others may be of interest in certain circumstances and provision may be made for the simultaneous determination of such metals in place of, or in addition to, those mentioned above.

"A spark source and facilities for preparing electrodes are provided, as for any spectrographic method, with special attention given to the need for speed in completing the analysis.

"A special monochromator is provided having a fixed exit slit for one or more lines of predetermined wavelength from each of the metals magnesium, aluminum, manganese, zinc, iron and/or any others. Behind each of these slits is mounted an electron multiplier tube, such as the *RCA* No. 931A, previously described. The output of each tube is wired to a condenser such as previously described which, in turn, is connected in series through a switch with a resistance. Between the terminals of the condenser is placed an electronic timing circuit so arranged that a signal is given at the instant at which the condenser voltage drops to exactly 1.0 volts, for example.

"In practice, a sample of molten metal is ladled from the pot in which it has been alloyed. The sample is poured into a mold in which a portion of it freezes in a shape approximating the shape of the electrodes used as the source of energy. As soon as the metal has solidified, it is removed from the mold and dressed down to standard size as a pair of electrodes. The electrodes are clamped in position and the power is turned on. After a suitable pre-arcing period, in which the arc can establish itself between the electrodes, the shutter over the monochromator is opened for a time exposure of several seconds.

"During this exposure, the energy in each of the predetermined lines is picked up by a multiplier electronic tube, which amplifies the energy and charges a condenser. After the exposure, the power source is cut off and the electrodes removed. The switches which discharge the condensers are all closed at the same instant and a signal indicating the starting of this discharge is sent to a multi-point recorder in which the record paper is moving at a carefully controlled and constant rate past the row of marking pens, one of which is connected to each condenser circuit. The discharge of the reference condenser takes place in about 10 seconds, a longer period of time than is required for the discharge of any of the other condensers. During these 10 seconds, all the other condensers discharge to the common level of 1 volt in varying times.

"The time of complete discharge to this voltage is indicated on the recorder paper. The distances between these indications and the mark showing discharge of the reference condenser are compared with similar distances derived from alloys of known compositions to indicate the unknown composition. When the discharge characteristics of known compositions are determined a transparent plate may be prepared in which various percentages of each component are scribed along lines corresponding to the lines of the several components scribed on the recorder. In this way, the master plate (which may be somewhat different for each type of magnesium alloy) can be placed directly over the record as soon as the reference condenser is discharged and the marks representing the discharge of each condenser will fall under a scale marking calibrated

to read directly the percentage of the unknown component which was responsible for this particular discharge."

The only unit of this new spectrometer yet built, the one in the magnesium alloying plant of *The Dow Chemical Company* at Midland, is the electronic "sentinel" on guard in scientifically controlling the composition of fresh metal, as 15,000 pounds of it are being poured into the furnace every five minutes. However, one instrument company is planning to manufacture at least one hundred of these spectrometers annually. A high school graduate can operate the device, which, in the final analysis, means that electronics is "reading" the ultimate mixture of various metals before melting them into ingots or castings. No longer is it necessary for a human operator to hold a pot molten for thirty minutes.

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Sound Conditioning
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In this respect a suitable size would be approximately 8′ wide, 8′ long and 8′ high, inside measurements. Observation windows should be constructed of double panes of glass set in felt or soft rubber.

To overcome sound transmission special attention should be paid to wall construction. As a general rule, weight, thickness, density and rigidity determine the "sound proofness" of any wall. Where weight and extreme thickness is impractical special techniques have been worked out to make use of various combinations of free air spaces between independent walls. Sound absorbing materials are used extensively in these combinations.

A few partitions and their average transmission losses are shown in Fig. 2.

All cracks or openings which may exist around doors should be sealed by providing felt or rubber gaskets on the door stops at the head and jambs, and installing a special metal-bound, felt strip threshold-closer, as illustrated in Fig. 3.

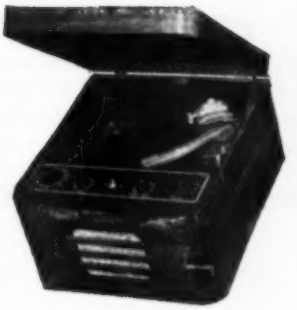
Efficient sound insulation in windows is required when windows are used for observation. These should be constructed with double panes of heavy glass with each pane isolated completely from the frame by gaskets of felt or rubber around all four edges. It is advisable to have the panes of slightly different thickness, to avoid resonance effects. Details of this construction are clearly illustrated in Fig. 3.

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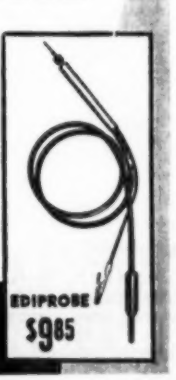
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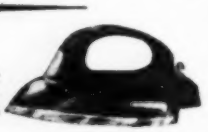


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It is the opinion of your editor that the future of television can best be insured by proceeding rapidly with the techniques already learned and make black and white television a reality to the bulk of the country as soon as possible. Television in color will be a natural development and it will fall quickly into its place in the radio pattern when adjustments have been effected that will make those laboratory successes commercially possible.

THE new series of articles on Recording—scheduled for this issue—has been delayed due to last-minute revisions. We'll try to start the series in our next issue. . . . . O. R.

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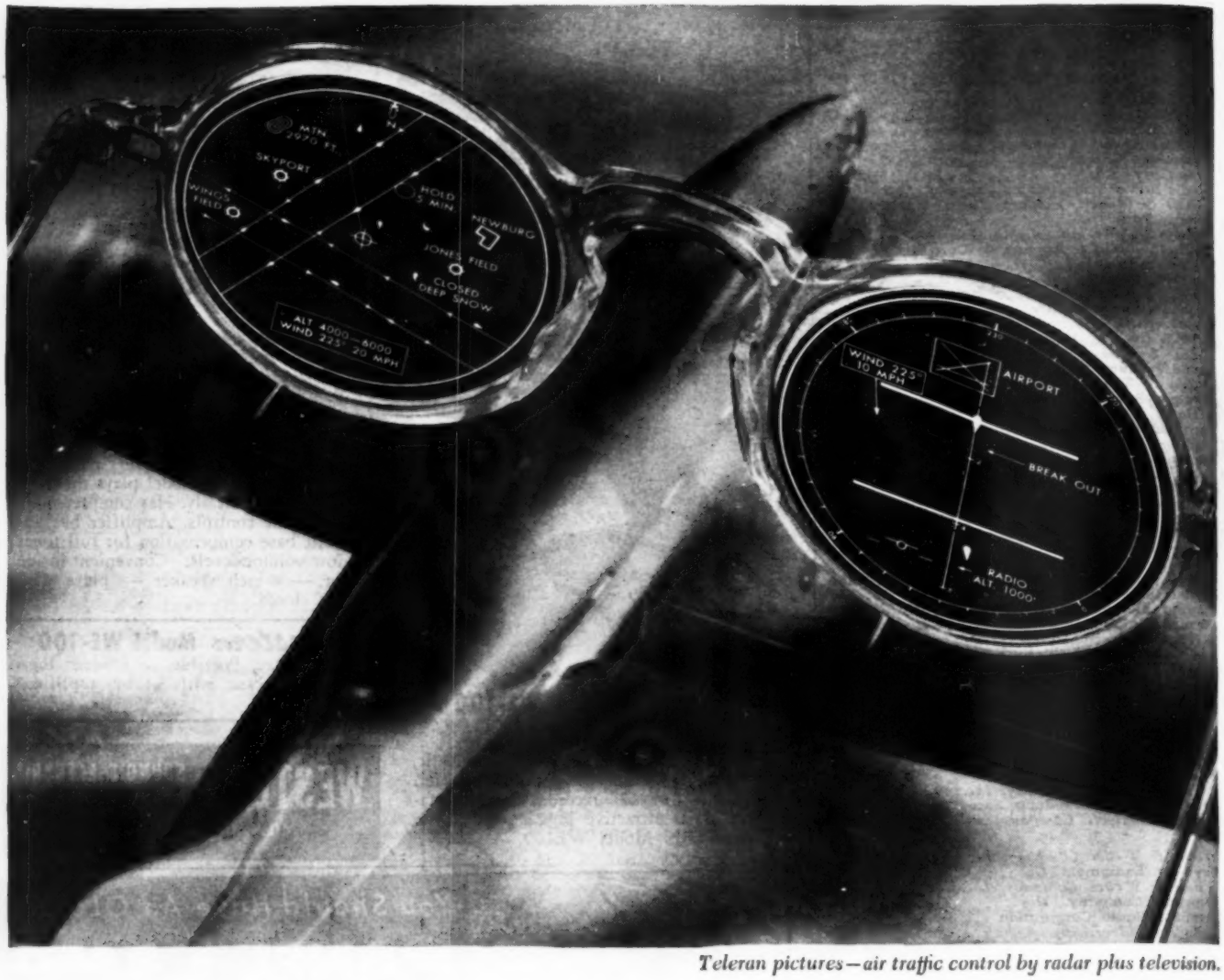
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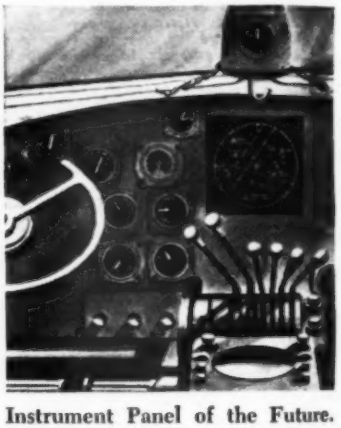
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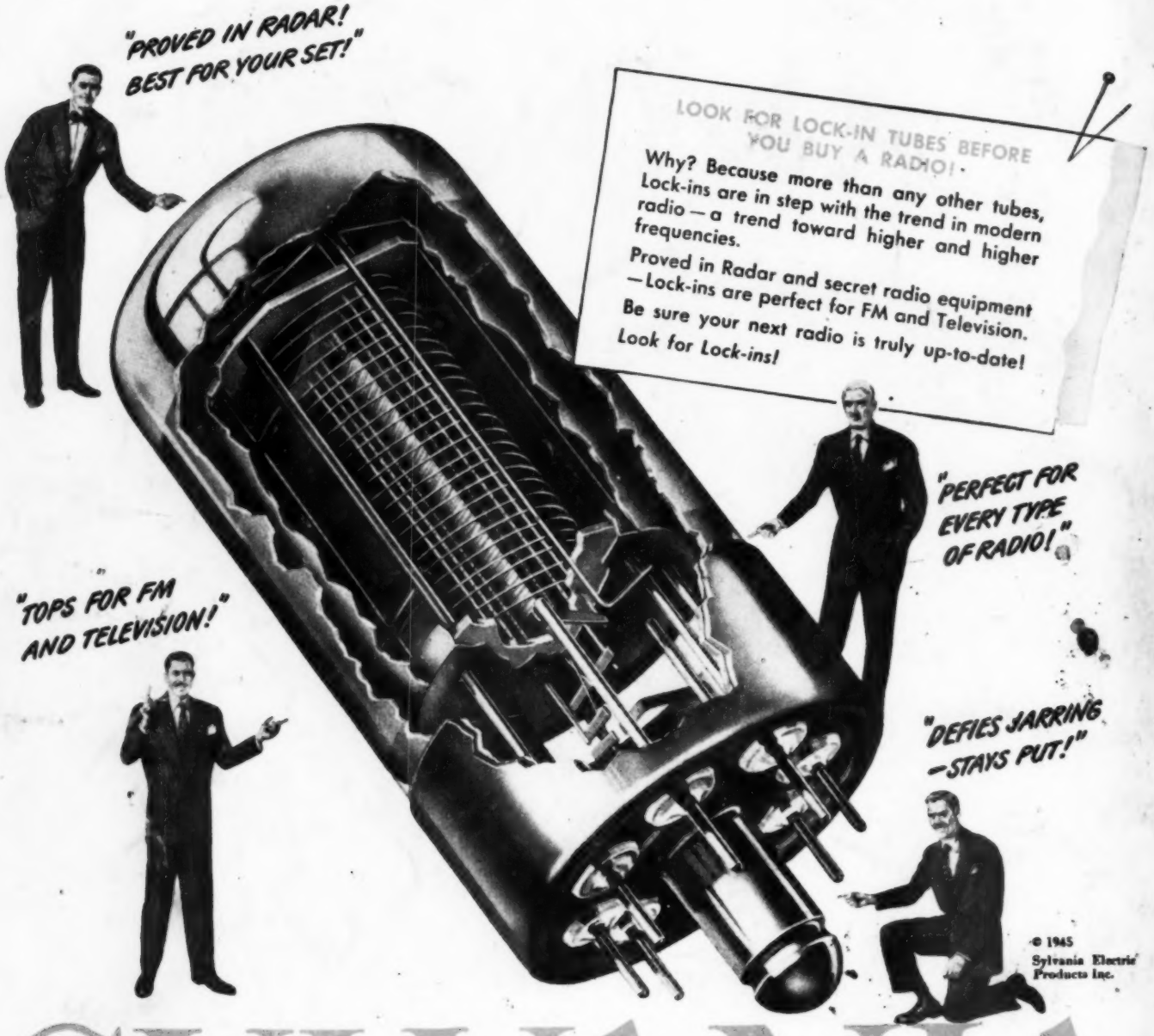
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